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News worth sharing.



BELL IN HONOUR

Fallen Calgary firefighters were honoured yesterday, with a bell chime for each of the 28 fallen members since the Calgary Fire Department's inception. More coverage, page 6. For more photos, visit metronews.ca.

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Ex-Mountie accused in sex assaults

History. Accused was previously convicted in sex-related crimes against four Saskatchewan boys



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Police allege a former Mountie sexually assaulted three young Calgary boys, befriending their parents beforehand to gain their trust.

Investigators announced Tuesday they have charged Arnold James (Jim) Somers, 69, with 14 offences including sexual assault, sexual interference, indecent exposure and invitation to sexual touching.

A representative with the RCMP in Saskatchewan confirmed Somers was a member up until the mid-1990s when he was convicted and sentenced to two years in jail for

Reaction

"Now there are three more lives that are going to be on a path of healing that is so hard."

Glori Meldrum, founder of the sexual abuse support group Little Warriors, on the three alleged sexual assault victims that recently came forward

sexually assaulting four other boys from Yorkton.

The new allegations in Calgary surfaced recently, as police received a complaint from a 17-year-old teen last December and then uncovered two other alleged victims, siblings ages 10 and 14, during their subsequent investigation.

"We are aware there may be other victims but those individuals have not come forward," said police acting Staff Sgt. Ryan Jepson.

"We encourage anyone who is the victim of any sexual events — sexual abuse, sexual

assault — to report those incidents to police."

Jepson said investigators believe Somers gained access to the children after developing a relationship with their parents — a common practice among sexual predators, according to Glori Meldrum, founder of the sexual-abuse support group Little Warriors.

Meldrum has long expressed fears over the influential positions held by many accused in child sexual assaults. She said Somers' alleged crimes fall into the same category.

"How is he not still in jail?" she questioned Tuesday.

"Whose fault is it that he's out? Now there are three more lives that are going to be on a path of healing that is so hard."

Somers is scheduled to appear in court next Wednesday.



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In Calgary hospital

Former premier Lougheed seriously ill

Family members of former Alberta premier Peter Lougheed say they appreciate kind words and prayers from well-wishers, but are not releasing any information on his condition.

Lougheed, who is 84, is in a Calgary hospital with an undisclosed illness.

Relatives say in a statement that they are asking for their privacy to be respected, but will provide an update as circumstances warrant.

Lougheed led Alberta from 1971 to 1985 and his Progressive Conservatives are still in power after more than 40 years.

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Arrested in B.C.

Alleged cancer fraudster nabbed

Police say a Calgary man wanted for allegedly faking cancer and collecting money from friends has been arrested in Victoria.

Kristopher Nicholas Cook, 28, was arrested on Sept. 11 by the Victoria Police Department after a tip from the public.

Calgary police issued a warrant for Cook after a complaint was issued in August related to a July 2011 fundraiser where he allegedly collected around \$7,500.

Cook is facing two counts of fraud over \$5,000.

It's expected Cook will be returned to Calgary in the coming days. **METRO**



Calgary bylaw officers are investigating after a corporate logo and slogan was stencilled at several locations on city pathways. IAN THOMPSON/YCBCBLOG

Sport Chek says sorry for ad tactic likened to graffiti

Stencils make an impact. Company claims it was a mistake, as alderman calls for formal apology over 'guerrilla marketing' on city property



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The company that operates Sport Chek is apologizing after advertisements for the sporting-goods store were stencilled onto Calgary bike paths last week without per-

mission from the city.

"We felt extremely awful about the situation," Erika Molnar-Rioux, a communications manager with FGL Sports, told Metro on Tuesday.

The advertisements were part of a campaign that FGL had commissioned, Molnar-Rioux said, but an error was made and the proper permissions were not first obtained.

A spokesman for Calgary's bylaw services said Tuesday there is an ongoing investigation into the incidents, which one alderman described as "guerrilla marketing."

"To just go ahead and do something without entering into an agreement with the

Company responds

- A total of 15 Sport Chek ads were stencilled onto Calgary pathways, according to the company.
- The company says the chalk used fades over time and is "biodegradable and environmentally friendly."
- The corporate office of FGL Sports, which operates Sport Chek, is located in Calgary.

city is the exact same as graffiti," Ald. John Mar said,

adding that he expects the company to send a letter of apology to the city.

Ian Thompson noticed the ads while cycling last week and questioned their appropriateness but not their effectiveness.

"As someone who works in communications and marketing, it's a fantastic tactic," Thompson said. "People are talking about it, so it's working quite well."

Molnar-Rioux said the company had the ads removed over the weekend.

"We were obviously extremely apologetic because we would never want to upset the local community," she said.

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Fire evacuees return home

Milk River. Residents dispersed to several locations and buses were being sent to bring many of them back, mayor says

Hundreds of people who were forced out of a southern Alberta community threatened by a grass fire are being allowed to return home.

About 850 residents of Milk River were ordered to leave as a precautionary measure Monday when the wind-whipped blaze burned to within a few kilometres of the town.

Mayor Terry Michaelis says firefighters have the flames under control and conditions look favourable, but a state of emergency remains in effect.

"The state of emergency has not been lifted and it probably won't be, maybe, not today. I'm not sure," Michaelis said Tuesday morning.

"They're satisfied that they have it under control, and as long as winds don't

At the ready

- Fire departments were on alert to be ready to mobilize if winds came up again.
- About 200 people remained out of their homes in the County of Lethbridge after a separate grass fire that started on the Blood reserve and roared across about 50 square kilometres of parched prairie and farmland.

come up really badly, I think it will be all right."

Albert Frootman, a county emergency-services spokesman, says the fire is still active but being held.

Michaelis said of the residents: "They're anxious. They want to be home to make sure their homes are OK — and they are. There's no problems. We had the police out all night patrolling."

He says he is keeping a close look on the weather.

"We're just looking at the flag at the post office. That's how I judge if the wind is blowing." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



A grass fire spreads across the Blood reserve near Highway 509 west of Lethbridge on Monday. A rapidly moving grass fire prompted officials to order everyone in a town southeast of Calgary to evacuate on Monday. Residents were allowed to return on Tuesday. **JAIME VEDRES/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Cycling group hosting talk with industrial-area commuters



Cyclists ride past a memorial for a man killed in June at 52 Street and 61 Avenue S.E. **KATIE TURNER/METRO**

Fears over the dangers of cycling in Calgary's industrial areas have led to an upcoming discussion between bikers and drivers.

Following the death of a cyclist earlier this year, Bike Calgary's Ward 9 representative, Kimberley Nelson, says discussions around education began immediately.

"Originally we started discussing this one June 21 — the day that it happened," she said.

The cyclist, said to be a man in his 60s, was travelling through the Foothills

Industrial Park when he was struck by a five-tonne truck that was turning south from 61 Avenue S.E. to 52 Street.

Nelson says after working and cycling in the same area for four years, she is no stranger to the risks, having been knocked off her bike by a vehicle before.

"Probably the largest issue is, no one is anticipating cyclists there," she said.

Area Ald. Gian-Carlo Carra says because the industrial area is under-served by transit, modes of transportation in and out of the area

are often limited to cars.

"We've got a huge workforce that has to work there ...and they need to be able to bike safely to work," he said. "I'm looking forward to getting some serious insight from people who actually cycle in the industrial areas so I can start advocating on their behalf."

Nelson says Bike Calgary has extended an invitation to stakeholders from the industrial park, including bikers, truck drivers and employers.

KATIE TURNER/METRO

Details

- The forum will be held on Sept. 17 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at Brewster's Pub at 5519-53 St. S.E.
- Members of the Calgary Police Service, as well as Can-Bike cycling instructors, are expected to attend the forum.
- Participants can register online at bikecalgary.org/foothills.

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Final bell rung for fallen Calgary firefighters at memorial service

9-11. Calgary pays tribute to public servicemen on Sept. 11 anniversary

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On a day in history now remembered for the valiant work of one city's firefighters, Calgary's fire department recognized many of its own who gave their lives in service to the city.

The Calgary Fire Department has 28 recorded fallen members, some from direct contact with fire and others from the "silent and hidden effects of the work on their bodies," said firefighter union president Mark Farris.

On Tuesday, also the anniversary of the 9-11 attack in New York City, Farris and fire Chief Bruce Burrell, along with department members and relatives of the fallen, gathered outside city hall to honour the



Calgary Fire Department members attend a memorial service Tuesday, held to honour 28 fallen city firefighters. CELESTE DE MUELENAERE/FOR METRO

dedication and ultimate sacrifices of those firefighters who lost their lives.

At the memorial, Farris described the service firefighters

provide as "selfless yet self-filling work."

He added that the memorial service not only recognized firefighters from the past but

also those from the present still serving communities and putting their own lives in peril around the world.

"We're a team and in our

world the team is everything."

During the remembrance ceremony, the fire department bell was rung 28 times — one time for each fallen member of

Remember the fallen

- The 28 fallen firefighters in Calgary Fire Department history date back to around the 1920s.
- Not all the fallen died while fighting a fire — some developed illnesses due to firefighting hazards, such as smoke inhalation.

the department's fire community, which has served Calgary since the 1920s.

Fire department spokesperson Jayson Doyscher said the bell ringing is a long-standing tradition that signifies everything to firefighters — from shift starts and call-outs to shift ends.

"It brings us home," Doyscher said.

"By ringing the bell we're calling those firefighters home. So we're bringing them back to their families."



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Nuit Blanche art festival coming to Calgary

Late night. Group aims to improve Calgary's downtown vibrancy



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Olympic Plaza will soon host an after-hours arts festival aimed at showing Calgarians a part of their city they may not have experienced before.

Inspired by Nuit Blanche festivals held in other cities such as Paris and Toronto, Wayne Baerwaldt, director and curator with the organization, said they wanted to test the waters in Calgary with a smaller festival of their own.

"Generally, most people aren't downtown after midnight, or even after 10 p.m.," said Baerwaldt.

The festival will include several interactive exhibits includ-

ing CLOUD — a 5,000 light-bulb structure, which allows participants to flick a switch, sending lightning-like movements through the piece.

Baerwaldt said Calgarians can also look forward to Candahar — a nondescript shack-like structure that inside houses a 16-person Belfast pub.

Executive director of one of the event's sponsors, Calgary 2012, Karen Ball said Nuit Blanche captures the city's budding contemporary culture.

"The tradition of Nuit Blanche is for people to experience their city and their cityscape and times and places that they might not ever see otherwise," she said.

As part of a larger campaign to encourage Calgarians to explore the downtown core after work hours, Baerwaldt said they hope the inaugural Nuit Blanche is the first of many events to come.

"You do business in the day

Event details

- **Date.** Nuit Blanche will be held Sept. 15 between 7 p.m. and 3 a.m. in Olympic Plaza.
- **All are welcome.** The event is free and open to the public.
- **Stay full.** Food trucks and Village Brewery will also be at the festival.
- **Online.** For more information, visit nuitblanche Calgary.ca.

and you leave at night — it's been a long-standing tradition here. How do you get that to change?" he said. "It takes sustained engagement for that to come about."

Eamon building

City offers leasing opportunities

City officials are soliciting ideas for what to do with Calgary's historic Eamon's building.

Council voted to save the more than 60-year-old former gas station, and the building will be returned to the Rocky Ridge Park and Ride lot once the future northwest CTrain station is complete.

Those interested in pursuing a long-term lease

of the building can apply for a Request for Pre-Qualification (RFPQ) by Oct. 10.

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The Tuscany CTrain is expected to open for service in the fall of 2014, and will service the areas of Tuscany, Rocky Ridge and Royal Oak.

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Lab tests

Fire investigation continues

Cochrane RCMP are still waiting on lab results related to the Aug. 21 fire that destroyed the Chief Chiniki Restaurant in Morley.

Meanwhile, the Chiniki First Nation's plans to rebuild are also on hold.

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Thousands gather across U.S. to honour 9-11 victims

11 years later.

Memorials at three crash sites scaled back after 10-year mark, making experiences more personal

Americans marked the anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on a crisp, sunny day much like the one 11 years ago when nearly 3,000 victims were killed in the worst terror attack in U.S. history.

The commemoration was smaller and more subdued, a reflection of the nation moving on after a decade of remembrance.

Hundreds gathered at the World Trade Center site in New York, the Pentagon and in Shanksville, Pa., to read the names of the dead.

"Our country is safer, and our people are resilient," President Barack Obama said in a ceremony at the White House. He and first lady

Michelle Obama laid a wreath at the Pentagon, above a concrete slab that said "Sept. 11, 2001 — 937 am."

They later visited the graves of recent war dead from Afghanistan and Iraq at Arlington National Cemetery. The U.S. military death toll years ago surpassed the 9-11 victim count.

Some said last year's 10th anniversary was a turning point for public mourning. For the first time, elected officials weren't speaking at the New York ceremony.

"I feel much more relaxed" this year, said Jane Pollicino, who came to remember her husband.

Thousands had attended the ceremony in New York in previous years. This time, the crowd reached about 1,000 by late Tuesday morning. A few hundred attended ceremonies at the Pentagon and in Pennsylvania.

Allied military forces marked the anniversary at a short ceremony at NATO's headquarters in Kabul, Afghanistan. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



A woman mourns on the wall engraved with the names of victims during observances at the National September 11 Memorial in New York on Tuesday. CRAIG RUTTLE/NEWSDAY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rights violation?

Surveillance program up for renewal

The Obama administration maintains it is unable to say how many times one of the government's most politically sensitive anti-terrorism surveillance programs — which is up for renewal this week in Congress — has inadvertently gathered intelligence about U.S. citizens.

The administration is seeking renewal of the program, however, and defends its value.

In a briefing for reporters on the 11th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the general counsel for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence said Tuesday that the program designed to monitor international communications by terrorist suspects has collected an extraordinary amount of valuable intelligence overseas about foreign terrorist suspects while simultaneously protecting civil liberties of Americans.

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Honoured. U.S. body hails Harper as World Statesman of the Year

Prime Minister Stephen Harper is being hailed as World Statesman of the Year by an American organization.

The Appeal of Conscience Foundation previously feted Jean Chrétien and British prime minister Gordon Brown.

The Prime Minister's Office says Harper will travel to New York on Sept. 27 to receive the award.

Harper, says the organization, will be recognized as a "champion of democracy, freedom and human rights".

The foundation was founded in 1965 by Rabbi Arthur Schneier. Its board includes former U.S. president Bill

The organization

The Appeal of Conscience Foundation describes itself as an "interfaith coalition of business and religious leaders (that) promotes peace, tolerance and ethnic conflict resolution."

Clinton and former U.S. secretaries of state Madeleine Albright, James Baker and George Shultz.

The event takes place the same week the United Nations 67th general assembly convenes for high-level debate. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

War of 1812

'Forgotten' conflict to get monument

The Harper government wants to commemorate the War of 1812 in stone.

It is asking artists who want to design a national monument to step forward with their qualifications.

The National Capital Commission and Heritage Canada issued the call for artists and say the 1812 monument will be placed on Parliament Hill.

A recent poll showed that despite \$28 million in commemorative activities, many Canadians have only a foggy knowledge of the war. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Handcuffs and chains highlight chiefs' protest

First Nations anger.

Northern communities want more Mounties and band constables on the reserves

A man, handcuffed and chained, lies on a cold concrete floor ...

This photo, circulated Tuesday, is the focus of an angry complaint by a group of northern Manitoba chiefs.

They say some aboriginals are being chained up in a hockey arena dressing room instead of an RCMP holding cell because of scarce police resources.

"When you look at all these little (non-aboriginal) towns coming down the highway, there are police stations in every town, but when you look at First Nations communities ... (you'll) see nothing at all," said David Harper, grand chief of the Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak, which represents 30 northern communities.



An unidentified man is handcuffed and chained in this handout photo from Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak. The group represents 30 northern Manitoba First Nations. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Harper and other chiefs say the handcuff-and-chains photo is of a man arrested for an alcohol offence last month on the Northlands Denesuline reserve near Lac Brochet.

The man was held in the community's arena because Mounties, who are based in another community, have refused to let band members use the RCMP's local detention facility.

Still waiting?

Manitoba Justice Minister Andrew Swan says he has pressed the issue with the federal government, but has yet to get an answer.

"They're more concerned about liability than safety," said Northlands Chief Joe

Antsanan. The leaders say part of the problem is that the Manitoba government appears to be uninterested in licensing any more band constables.

Walter Spence, chief of the Fox Lake Cree Nation, said his community no longer has any band constables and must rely on RCMP officers 50 kilometres away in Gillam.

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Presidential bear hug proves bad for business

Political pizza. Florida restaurant owner is dubbed a 'traitor' and 'socialist' after photo op

The Big Apple Pizza and Pasta parlour in Florida was serving calzones with a side of philosophy Tuesday, under attack from Republicans incensed that the owner became a "traitor."

With one high-profile bear

hug, Scott van Duzer turned into an Obamaphile Sunday and immediately into a pizza pariah.

"I will not eat from traitor's hands and I'll never take food from man who DIDN'T BUILD his business," wrote ib G of Las Vegas, Nev., on the Yelp reviewing page for the business.

From 5,000 kilometres away, Leyla K. of Glendale, Calif., wrote: "You are officially a member of Obama's socialist

Quoted

"People are saying a lot of bad things and boycotting my restaurant."

Scott Van Duzer, owner of Big Apple Pizza and Pasta Italian Restaurant

outfit. I bookmarked your 'business' to never set foot in there." And so on, for more than 2,000 "reviews."

"We're all kind of puzzled," a restaurant worker admit-

ted to Torstar News Service on Tuesday. "Politics brings out the best and worst in people."

Both sides, and some people who had actually eaten there, also did try to weigh in on Yelp. "All in all, I recommend the ham and pineapple pizza to any pizza eater earning less than \$500,000 per year who likes tax cuts, less war, an end to torture, and dead terrorist kingpins," wrote Dennis J. of Milton, Ont.

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President Barack Obama is lifted off the ground by Scott Van Duzer, owner of Big Apple Pizza and Pasta Italian Restaurant on Sunday in Ft. Pierce, Fla.

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Royal Family. Protection officers can't cross 'golden line': London police chief

London's Metropolitan Police chief says his officers cannot interfere in the private lives of the royal family, not even to prevent Prince Harry from going bare at a Las Vegas party.

Bernard Hogan-Howe told a parliamentary committee on Tuesday his department was reviewing the role of Royal Protection officers in the incident, in which Harry was photographed naked.

However, Hogan-Howe told the panel: "Our role is to maintain the security of our protected individual. They have to lead

a normal life and we have to strike a balance between intrusion into their life and keeping them safe."

He added, "there is a golden line that cannot be crossed, which is getting involved in the social lives of the principals."

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Prince Harry
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Drawing attention to refugees' plight

The UN refugee agency's special envoy, actress Angelina Jolie, speaks to the press during a visit to the Zaataria Syrian Refugees Camp, in Mafraq, Jordan, on Tuesday. Jolie said she heard "horrific" and "heart-breaking" accounts from refugees in the camp, which hosts about 30,000 people displaced by Syria's 18-month conflict.

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The fix is in: Canadian Soccer League infiltrated by crime

Canadian soccer scandal. Metro editor working with CBC threatened at Toronto home while investigating match-fixing ring

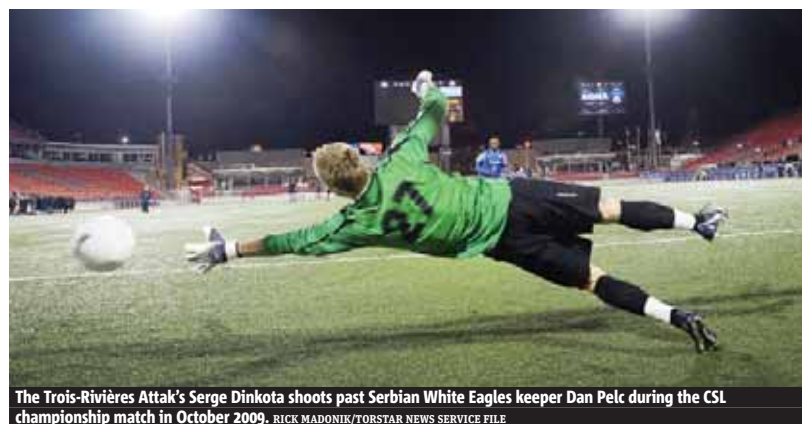
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You could be forgiven if you've never heard of the Canadian Soccer League.

Save for a sprinkling of fans that attend games and watch the occasional screening on Rogers TV, few will have ever heard of the small, backwater league fielding teams in Ontario and Quebec.

Yet, online betting sites offer lines on every CSL game which has attracted European match-fixers looking for an easy target.

In an investigation I worked on with the CBC, we discovered that match-fixers have travelled



The Trois-Rivières Attak's Serge Dinkota shoots past Serbian White Eagles keeper Dan Pelc during the CSL championship match in October 2009. RICK MADONIK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

thousands of kilometres to pay Canadian players to fix results in their favour. Our domestic league has been powerless, unwilling or unable to stop it. And this match-fixing syndicate has tried to infiltrate the league to a point that few would have imagined. The results of the investigation will be shown tonight

on The National at 10 p.m. and will be published in tomorrow's Metro.

This investigation stemmed from a German court case last year where the main defendants, Ante Sapina and Mario Cvrtak, admitted to fixing a Canadian Soccer League game on Sept. 12, 2009. That game

involved the Toronto Croatia and the Trois-Rivières Attak — at the time, a farm team for the Montreal Impact.

Since the day I brought CBC this story 18 months ago, a lot has happened.

I have had people come to my home with death threats, moved my family to ensure

Feeding the majors

10

Number of players on Canadian MLS team rosters that played in the Canadian Soccer League before starting their professional careers. Seven of that 10 are currently signed to Toronto FC.

their safety and struggled with the stress that comes with learning to live while looking over your shoulder. When I realized why those two men had threatened me, it made the pit of my stomach drop out at the thought of how close they had been to me. They waited outside my building to let me know that the questions I was asking around the CSL were not ones they approved of — but they mostly did it to send a message.

Others too have received that message. Witnesses to the fixing have come forward, only to drop away with no notice. Players, coaches and entire teams have walked away from

the game they love because of the stink that comes from these types of allegations.

Tonight's documentary will walk viewers through how the fixing occurs. It will show why this group and others like it are targeting the CSL. And it will show just how easy it is to manipulate a game for money.

In the grand scheme of things, Canadian soccer is still very much in its infancy. The Canadian Soccer Association may be celebrating its centenary this year but it's really only come into its own in the last 10 years as local soccer has become a priority in this country.

With that new-found love comes a level of naiveté — a sense that the ills that have plagued the world could never come here.

And if Canadians are finally catching on to this game that the rest of the world calls football, they're also about to get a harsh wake-up call to the realities that come with it.

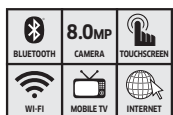
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Toronto man's attack on bullying breaks the bank

Hefty payoff.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars rewarded to harassed bus monitor

A Toronto man's campaign to give an American grandmother a vacation from a workplace in which she was tyrannized by teenage bullies ended Tuesday with the retired school-bus monitor receiving a cheque for \$703,000.

Karen Klein, 68, of Greece, N.Y., was in Toronto for the ceremony.

The funds were presented by Max Sidorov, a 25-year-old nutritionist who felt compelled to help Klein after watching a video of her fielding profane taunts and outright threats from a group of middle-school students during a bus run last June. The cellphone video posted online by a fellow



Bus monitor Karen Klein
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student drew millions of viewers. The video shows Klein trying her best to ignore the boys' insults.

One student is heard taunting: "You don't have a family because they all killed themselves because they don't want to be near

you." Klein's oldest son killed himself 10 years ago.

Eventually, Klein appears to break down in tears.

The video and what began as a simple campaign to send Klein on holiday brought about much more permanent change, said Sidorov.

"Now her vacation is going to be the full-time vacation of retirement," he said in a telephone interview.

Klein, who had been a bus driver for 20 years before becoming a bus aide for the Greece Athena Middle School, intends to spend at least some of her newly gotten gains on travel, Sidorov said.

She has already celebrated her changed circumstances with trips to Disney World, New York and Boston.

The video of her ordeal touched off an overwhelming outpouring of support.

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Homecoming from the Arabian Sea

Master Cpl. Rob House is united with his daughters, five-year-old Olivia, left, and two-year-old Lauren at the Halifax Dockyards on Tuesday morning. HMCS Charlottetown returned home after a nine-month deployment in the Arabian Sea. JEFF HARPER/METRO IN HALIFAX

Closing Iranian embassy 'unwise,' says former diplomat

An ousted Iranian diplomat is taking a parting swipe at Canada over its severing of diplomatic ties.

A statement attributed to the former charge d'affaires at the shuttered Iranian embassy was emailed to the CBC.

Kambiz Sheikh-Hassani says that the decision to close the embassy is unwise, uncivilized and hostile.

He says the move goes against traditional Canadian culture and etiquette.

The government of Iran is now looking for alternatives

for providing consular services to Iranians in Canada.

The Conservative government declared last Friday it was ejecting Iranian diplomats from Ottawa and bringing Canadian representatives home.

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New intelligence. Iran advancing in attempt to obtain nuclear weapons

The UN atomic agency has received new and significant intelligence over the past month that Iran has moved further toward the ability to build a nuclear weapon, diplomats say.

The intelligence shows that Iran has advanced its work on calculating the destructive power of an atomic warhead through a series of computer models that it ran sometime within the past three years.

The diplomats say the information comes from Israel, the United States and at least two other Western countries and concludes that the work was done sometime within the past three years.

The time-frame is significant because if the International Atomic Energy Agency decides that the intelligence is credible, it would strengthen its concerns that Iran has continued weapons work into the recent past — and may be continuing to do so.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu engaged this week in a strident exchange with the U.S., calling on Sunday for “red lines” to

Tinderbox

The comments from Netanyahu were the latest suggestion that Israel is considering taking military action on its own to at least slow down Iran's program.

- That prospect could badly rattle world markets and spark wider war, and is opposed not only in most Western capitals but also among many in Israel's security and political establishment.
- But Israel says that with Iran moving facilities underground its window of opportunity is closing while the world dithers with inadequate sanctions.

be set for Iran. The calls were rebuffed, and on Tuesday, Netanyahu declared that those who refuse to draw a red line “don't have a right to place a red light before Israel.”

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U.S. Embassy in Cairo breached

Egyptian protesters climb the walls of the U.S. Embassy in Cairo, leaving behind Arabic graffiti during a protest on Tuesday. The protesters, largely ultra-conservative Islamists, climbed the walls of the embassy, went into the courtyard and brought down the U.S. flag, replacing it with a black flag with an Islamic inscription, in protest of a film deemed offensive of Islam. NASSER NASSER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Stolen assets

America still supports recovering looted money

U.S. President Obama reaffirmed American support Tuesday for Arab Spring nations seeking to recover billions of dollars in assets stashed away by members of toppled regimes.

But one of Obama's senior advisers noted that international legal obstacles still remain in tracking down and reclaiming looted money.

“This money ... does not belong to those who wielded power. It belongs to the people,” Obama said in a video.

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Insider's account

SEAL writer could be punished

U.S. Defence Secretary Leon Panetta is suggesting that a retired Navy SEAL be punished for writing a book giving an insider's account of the Osama bin Laden raid.

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MYSTERIOUS: THE GREEK THEATER, LOS ANGELES

“When you’re at the Greek, there’s this

type of mystical **feeling you** get among the crowd,” writes **one** visitor.

L.A.’s premier **outdoor** theatre is tucked into the **corner** of Griffith Park, but don’t let the **picturesque** setting fool you. This place is made **for noise**.

The 5,900-seat venue has amazing sound because of its **natural** acoustics — the park is actually a **canyon**. Named “North America’s **Best** Small Outdoor Venue,” Pearl Jam, **Death** Cab for Cutie, Florence & the **Machine**, The White Stripes, Jack **Johnson**, and Gotye have all played there **recently**.

DARE TO EXPLORE: PRIVILEGE, IBIZA, SPAIN

“This isn’t a club ... it’s a whole other world!”

Privilege is the world’s largest night-club with a main room the size of an aircraft hangar. Ibiza is an island in the

Mediterranean **Sea** that has a red hot reputation for its **nightlife**.

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MICRO EXPERIENCE: THE PHOG LOUNGE, WINDSOR, ONT.

“Phog” is a **small** lounge in Windsor with a devout **following** of some of Canada’s hippest **electronica**, free-form jazz and indie **rock bands**.

“Phog is **truly** passionate and curious about music,” said Casey Laforet of Canada’s critically **acclaimed** Elliot Brood.

Named “**Best** Live Music Venue in Canada,” there is now an annual Phog-Phest **in** the fall where the street out front

is closed off for a daylong celebration of indie music. Rural Alberta Advantage headlines there Sept. 15.

EXPERIMENTATION: THE READING FESTIVAL, READING, ENGLAND

Join 87,000 **other** rock, indie, punk and metal **aficionados** in tents on Little John’s Farm for **this** three-day music festival every **August**.

But **you** have to plan ahead — tickets go on **sale** in **December** and sell out fast. The big stage **is** **for** major rock, indie, metal and **alternative** acts, but check out the smaller Lock Up Stage for underground punk **and** hardcore acts, and a stage for **unsigned** acts.

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Mammoth find in Siberia raises cloning hopes

Extinct. Prehistoric woolly mammoths are thought to have died out around 10,000 years ago

Scientists have discovered well-preserved frozen woolly mammoth fragments deep in Siberia that may contain living cells, edging a tad closer to the "Jurassic Park" possibility of cloning a prehistoric animal, the mission's organizer said Tuesday.

Russia's North-Eastern Federal University said an international team of researchers had discovered mammoth hair, soft tissues and bone marrow some 100 metres underground during a summer expedition in the northeastern province of Yakutia.



A sculpture of mammoths in the Siberian town of Khanty-Mansiisk.
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Expedition chief Semyon Grigoryev said Korean scientists with the team had set a goal of finding living cells in the hope of cloning a mammoth. Scientists have previously found bones and fragments but not living cells.

Scientists already have de-

ciphered much of the genetic code of the woolly mammoth from balls of mammoth hair found frozen in the Siberian permafrost. Some believe it's possible to recreate the prehistoric animal if they find living cells in the permafrost.

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iPhone. YouTube set to release its own app after growing dispute

YouTube is being reprogrammed for the iPhone and iPad amid growing hostility between Apple and the video service's owner, Google.

The new format debuted Tuesday with the release of a YouTube application that will introduce more advertising and more videos on Apple's devices.

The changes are being made because Google Inc. and Apple Inc. didn't renew a five-year licensing agreement that established YouTube as one of the built-in applications in the operating system that runs the

iPhone and iPad.

YouTube is being bumped from the menu of pre-installed apps on the next version of Apple's mobile operating system, or iOS, which could be released as early as Wednesday, when the latest iPhone is expected to be unveiled.

The updated iOS is dumping Google's digital maps as its go-to source for directions.

The licensing agreement had granted Apple control over the design of the built-in YouTube app on the iPhone and iPad. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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A customer walks out of Nordstrom in Los Angeles. MARK TERRILL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Nordstrom to set up shop in Canada

North of the border.
Upscale U.S. retailer to announce Canadian store plans, which could include trio of prime Sears locations set to be shuttered

Nordstrom is the latest U.S. retailer planning to set up

shop north of the border.

Officials from the department-store chain and Cadillac Fairview are scheduled to announce Canadian store plans at a media briefing in Toronto on Thursday.

The announcement will relate to Nordstrom's entry into the Canadian marketplace and will identify store locations in Cadillac Fairview shopping centres nationally.

According to previously published reports, the Seattle-based retailer is expected to open in four locations, including a trio of prime Sears Canada locations set to be shuttered this fall.

Sears Canada announced in March it would sell back leases for three of its stores to its landlord, Cadillac Fairview, for about \$170 million.

High-profile locations at

the Pacific Centre in Vancouver, Chinook Centre in Calgary and Rideau Centre in Ottawa are set to close by the end of October.

It announced a further closure, at the Deerfoot Mall in Calgary, in July.

Canadians can currently purchase goods direct from Nordstrom's website, with shipping fees that includes the cost of duties at checkout.

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Bell bid to change playing field: Quebecor

Bell's \$3.4-billion takeover bid for Astral Media will mark a "point of no return" for Canada if it's approved, the CEO of Quebecor told a regulatory hearing Tuesday.

Accusing Bell Media of "ar-

rogance" and "domination," Pierre Karl Peladeau said Canada will have one of the highest levels of media concentration if the deal goes ahead, changing the playing field for all other players.

"If it were to be accepted, it will mark a point of no return for the future of telecommunications and broadcasting in Canada," Peladeau told a CRTC hearing into the deal.

"We're going to create a marketplace that's going to be driven by a monopoly mindset and this is going to be bad for consumers and bad for all Can-

adian citizens," he told reporters after his remarks.

But Calgary-based Shaw Communications came out in favour of the deal.

Shaw president Peter Bissonnette said the real threat is online services like Netflix and Apple TV, not bigger Canadian players.

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A NON-HOCKEY WRITER ON THE NHL LOCKOUT



JUST SAYIN'
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True confession:
I am not a hockey writer.
With a few notable exceptions,
neither are most hockey writers.
Oops! That was my outside
voice, wasn't it?

If I were a hockey writer, I wouldn't last very long. I would always want to write about the wrong thing.

Instead of reporting on the latest looming lockout (memo to hockey writers: That 'L' thing is called an alliteration) — which, by the way, happens Sunday at 12:01 a.m. if no one pulls a last-minute puck out of a hat — I would have a tendency to get distracted.

For example, did you know that Tyler Seguin just signed a contract with the Boston Bruins that will pay him \$34 million US over the next six years? That's a little under \$6 million a year.

Did you know that Tyler Seguin is 20 years old?

Now there's something to get distracted about. This kid scored 29 goals for the Bruins last year. According to my calculations, if he scores another 29 this year, he will make about \$200,000 US a goal. Doesn't matter if it's a deflection or shot into an empty net.

Boston Bruins' \$34M signing

I don't mean to pick on him exclusively. Every team has a rookie phenom whose annual salary exceeds the gross national product of your average banana republic.

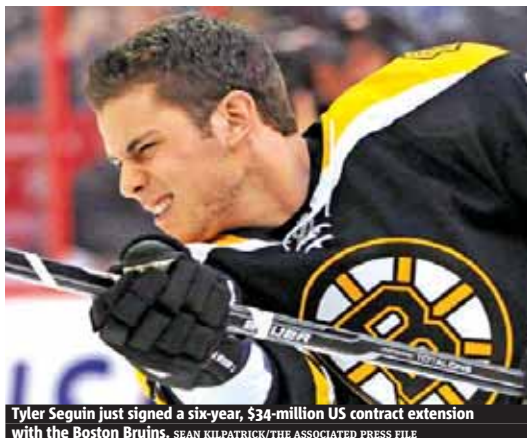
in 20th-century dollars, which adjusted for today's buying power, comes to about \$2.50.

I could even argue that my job, which required me to make decisions about the deployment of millions of dollars in government grants to community groups, was more important than Tyler Seguin's. And then I would start wondering if our values were completely out of whack, and the owners and players should indeed take a time out and think carefully about what they're doing.

I mean, what are they doing? Isn't little Tyler, at \$6 million a year, making enough money? I don't mean to pick on him exclusively. Every team has a rookie phenom whose annual salary exceeds the gross national product of your average banana republic. Speaking of average, the average salary for an NHL hockey player is \$2.4 million a year. The minimum, paid to guys who gather splinters sitting on the bench, is \$525,000 US.

Speaking of values being out of whack, the average salary for a pre-school teacher in Boston is \$43,000 US. That's what happens when you don't take steroids.

There I go again. At this rate, they'll never let me be a hockey writer.



Tyler Seguin just signed a six-year, \$34-million US contract extension with the Boston Bruins. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Duke and Duchess are blooming



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Diamond Jubilee

Orchid named after Will and Kate

Prince William and Kate view a hybrid orchid named in their honour at the Orchard Garden within the Singapore Botanical Gardens in Singapore on Tuesday.

The British royal couple is on an official three-day trip to Singapore. It is the first stop on the couple's nine-day tour of the Far East and South Pacific for the queen's Diamond Jubilee marking her 60 years on the throne.

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Prince William stops to speak to an honour guard on arrival at the Istana, the official residence of the president of Singapore, on Tuesday. William will also visit the Solomon Islands and Tuvalu with Kate. CHRIS MCGRATH/GETTY IMAGES



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@flamesstamps: Well there might not be NHL in October, but FYI to all I'm still playing shinny every Tuesday at noon. Plenty of room in the stands. #yyc

@MadIllness: I'm going to add #yyc to all my tweets this week just to see what all the fuss is about

@Jeanniehu: If I leave the gym at 10:45, I can still make breakfast @McDonald's #yyc

@hannahkerbes: Dear #yyc don't crowd the train doors. Bad things happen when you crowd the train doors #truth

@gutterferret: BREAKING: Tim's on 12th has VERY HOT COFFEE today. That's one way to get inside-face-burnt, right @nenshi? #yyc #VIGILANTEJOUR-NAJUSTICE

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121434	\$21,155	\$19,262	\$1,893
121506	\$21,155	\$19,262	\$1,893
122311	\$21,155	\$19,262	\$1,893
121369	\$22,410	\$21,727	\$ 683
122195	\$22,670	\$21,907	\$ 763
121175	\$22,670	\$22,002	\$ 668
121609	\$22,735	\$22,063	\$ 672
122190	\$22,865	\$22,088	\$ 777
122228	\$23,195	\$22,487	\$ 708
122109	\$23,155	\$22,529	\$ 626
122114	\$23,155	\$22,529	\$ 626
122105	\$23,535	\$22,786	\$ 749
121367	\$24,200	\$23,381	\$ 819
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121311	\$ 59,970	\$ 47,248	\$ 1,000	\$ 13,722
121584	\$ 60,845	\$ 48,169	\$ 1,000	\$ 13,676
121752	\$ 61,490	\$ 48,737	\$ 1,000	\$ 13,753
121755	\$ 61,490	\$ 48,737	\$ 1,000	\$ 13,753
121855	\$ 61,490	\$ 48,737	\$ 1,000	\$ 13,753
121370	\$ 60,745	\$ 48,169	\$ 1,000	\$ 13,576
121874	\$ 63,160	\$ 50,100	\$ 1,000	\$ 14,060
121756	\$ 63,160	\$ 50,100	\$ 1,000	\$ 14,060
121872	\$ 63,160	\$ 50,100	\$ 1,000	\$ 14,060
121776	\$ 63,620	\$ 50,400	\$ 1,000	\$ 14,220
121730	\$ 63,620	\$ 50,400	\$ 1,000	\$ 14,220
121732	\$ 63,620	\$ 50,400	\$ 1,000	\$ 14,220
121857	\$ 63,620	\$ 50,400	\$ 1,000	\$ 14,220
121865	\$ 63,620	\$ 50,400	\$ 1,000	\$ 14,220
121869	\$ 63,620	\$ 50,400	\$ 1,000	\$ 14,220
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121724	\$ 46,225	\$ 35,237	\$ 1,000	\$ 11,988
120613	\$ 46,415	\$ 35,422	\$ 1,000	\$ 11,993
121723	\$ 46,685	\$ 35,642	\$ 1,000	\$ 12,043
121751	\$ 46,685	\$ 35,642	\$ 1,000	\$ 12,043
121774	\$ 46,685	\$ 35,642	\$ 1,000	\$ 12,043
121867	\$ 46,685	\$ 35,642	\$ 1,000	\$ 12,043
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122291	\$ 42,040	\$40,649	\$ 1,391
122296	\$ 42,040	\$40,649	\$ 1,391
122301	\$ 45,685	\$44,018	\$ 1,667
122297	\$ 28,140	\$25,360	\$ 2,780
122336	\$ 28,140	\$25,360	\$ 2,780
122376	\$ 29,735	\$26,926	\$ 2,809
122337	\$ 36,485	\$35,330	\$ 1,155
122245	\$ 36,905	\$35,646	\$ 1,259
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122304	\$ 37,100	\$35,827	\$ 1,273
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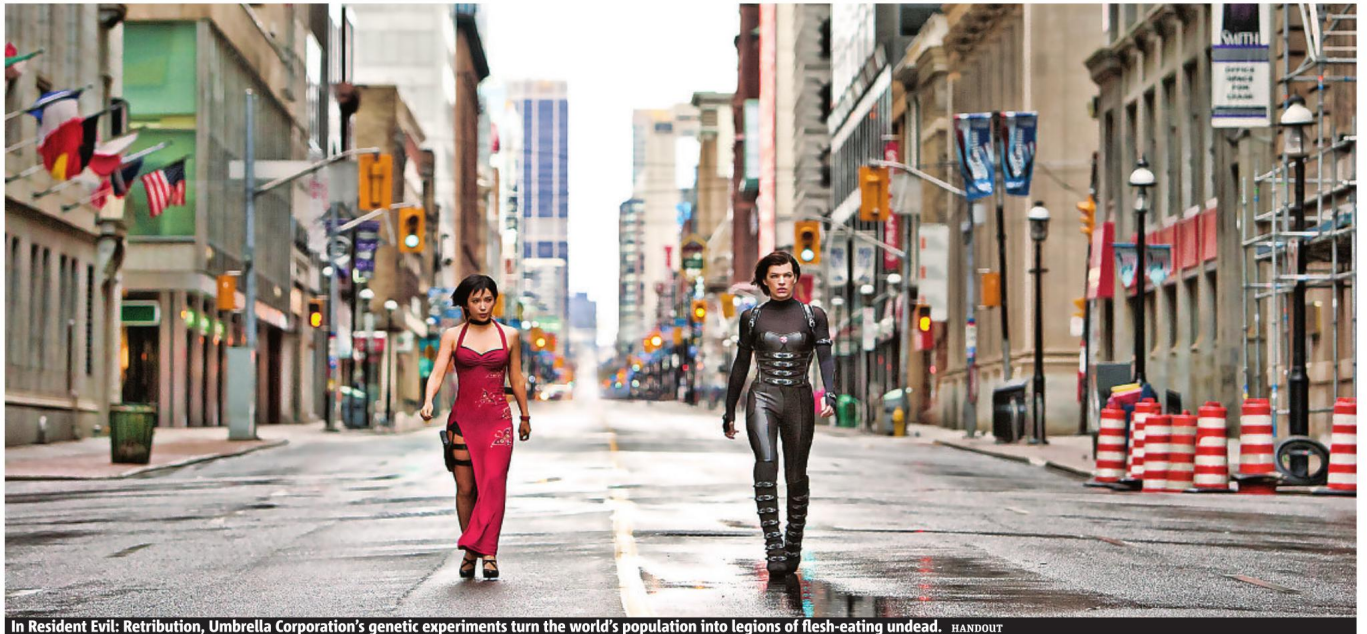
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In Resident Evil: Retribution, Umbrella Corporation's genetic experiments turn the world's population into legions of flesh-eating undead. HANDOUT

How evil corporations ruled through film history

Resident Evil: Retribution. The Umbrella Corp. in gory legacy is part of a long list of heartless movie organizations

on the big screen in 2002, the Umbrella Corp has been responsible for weapons research, the release of the mutating T-virus, experiments on humans, and the creation of biologically engineered supersoldiers.

In this weekend's Resident Evil: Retribution Umbrella's genetic experiments turn the global population into "legions of the flesh eating undead."

Turning the world's people into zombies is pretty dastardly stuff, but Umbrella isn't the only cinematic corporation bending the rules and causing harm.

How about Blade Runner's morally despicable Tyrell Corporation?

Led by a CEO with a God

complex, the company genetically engineered organic robots called replicants for use as slaves on space colonies.

Visually indistinguishable from humans, they are banned from earth, and if found on the planet are killed immediately.

That plot inspired another popular sci-fi flick.

When writer Edward Neumeier was asked about the plot of Blade Runner he replied, "It's about cop-hunting robots."

Inspired, he created RoboCop's story about megacorporation Omni Consumer Products who builds the title character, a superhuman cyborg law enforcer.

It's likely that defense

firm Cyberdyne Systems had nothing but good intentions when it developed Skynet, the Global Digital Defense Network that features at the center of all the Terminator movies.

The idea was to remove the possibility of human error when responding to military threats. Who knew the technology would one day eliminate the human race?

Elimination of humankind was not on the minds of Soylent Corporation, the entity running things in the sci-fi flick Soylent Green. Set in an overpopulated, polluted world they came up with an alternative food source, Soylent Red and Yellow made of "high-energy plankton."

A third product, Soylent

Green, becomes NYC's most popular snack until a cop (Charlton Heston) discovers the green wafer's main ingredient. "Soylent Green is people!"

I doubt even Mitt "Corporations are people!" Romney would approve of District 9's Multi-National United. Despite their slogan, "Paving the way to unity," they create alien apartheid in South Africa for the purpose of performing experiments on the hapless ET's who landed in South Africa. Most of these cinematic corporations sound innocuous.

At least the name of the corporation in Mel Brooks's Silent Movie was truthful about what they do — Engulf & Devour.

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DAVE MATTHEWS BAND

Fresh from some time off, DMB returns with a new album of all-new songs about love, lust, aging and activism

AWAY FROM THE WORLD



GETTY IMAGES

Dave Matthews needed a break.

His famously hardworking band took last year off and Matthews says he's planning to scale back future summer tours.

Still, Matthews didn't want to give himself too much free time.

The band reunited early this year with Crash and Before These Crowded Streets producer Steve Lillywhite, originally planning to record studio versions of older tunes from live performances.

Matthews decided instead to pen and record all new songs, with lyrics about love, lust, aging and activism laid over his three bandmates' recognizably comfortable-yet-funky musical bed.

The result, *Away From the World*, follows the critical and commercial success of 2009's *Big Whiskey & the GrooGrux King*: 1.2 million copies sold and an album of the year Grammy nomination.

With the latest album hitting store shelves on Tuesday, the 45-year-old singer-songwriter spoke

DMB

"This album, it was a very refreshing process."

Dave Matthews talking about the making of the band's new album which was recorded much quicker than its last

about his children, growing old and God.

How was your break from touring last year? Did it accomplish what you'd hoped?

It was good.

It forced me to realign things.

There was a momentum that had built up over the years that I sort of didn't feel I had any say.... I wanted to stop. So we did.

It sounds from the album like you're thinking quite a bit about growing old.

I'm partly obsessed by aging gracefully. Not that I believe in God.... My sister said, "You age gracefully so you find out what God wanted you to look like when you're old." I kind of like that idea.... But I

like the wrinkles. I woke up three days ago and I thought, "In 15 years I'm going to be 60." ... Wow, that's pretty soon.

Who did you spend time with on your break?

I spent most of my time with my family. We traveled a bit. I think I will (take a break) every year because it made a big difference to have time with my kids. ... I like working. But it seems like there's a shift and I had to make that shift apparent to myself and everyone around me with my kids. ... I feel really important around them. Because I like to feel important. I feel like I make a difference, for better or for worse, when I'm around them.

Are they into music?

Yeah. In all different ways. My girls are 11 so they're fans of music. At the moment I think they like my music. They've got their own things they're into as well (Beyonce, Taylor Swift). I don't care what they listen to. My son, he's pretty heart-felt. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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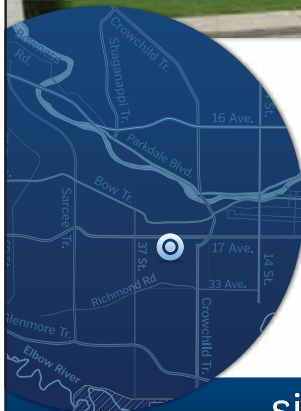
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Simon Cowell is the creator, judge and producer of the X Factor, while Adam Levine is a celebrity judge on The Voice. HANDOUT

NBC's The Voice takes on Fox's X Factor — and the gloves are off

Cowell's fuming. In the U.S. the two shows go head-to-head; but in Canada both are on CTV (X Factor airs tonight)

The stakes are high, the tactics are fierce and the rhetoric is heating up.

Obama versus Romney? Nope. It's the contest between The Voice and The X Factor, which escalated after NBC abruptly moved to pit its Voice against Wednesday's second-season debut of Fox's X Factor.

The two singing contests already faced a tussle over audience votes when NBC scheduled a fall cycle of The Voice after it proved itself as a solid spring performer.

Then, in a post-Labour Day surprise, an apparently mischievous NBC said it was expanding the show's first week from Monday and Tuesday to include a third episode, which happens to air opposite the first hour of the

X Factor at 8 p.m.-10 p.m. EDT Wednesday. Fox's show also airs Thursday.

Suddenly, the battle of the talent shows is much more interesting.

Or make that infuriating, if you're X Factor creator, executive producer and judge Simon Cowell.

Known for his creative critiques as an American Idol panelist ("You sound like a cat jumping off the Empire State Building"), he was simply blunt about NBC's move.

Cowell took off the gloves when he told a teleconference last week that he was angry "because I think there's a kind of gentleman's agreement." The implication: Networks can slap each other around by putting dramas and comedies head-to-head, but a talent show is in a class of its own, like PBS' Downton Abbey but with a record contract and hot modern blondes named Christina, Britney and Demi.

"I think it's mean-spirited and I hope and I pray that it backfires on them, because it's one of the best shows we've ever made," Cowell

said, adding that three consecutive nights of Voice is "too much" and viewers will choose X Factor.

"But I've learned, don't make any predictions," he said, tempering bravado with caution.

Season 2 represents a sophomore reboot for X Factor, which did well last season but failed to pull the 20 million viewers he'd grandly predicted.

Instead, it averaged about 12.6 million for its performance and results episodes, which Cowell saw as a "wake-up call" for how to handle the U.S. version of his British hit.

"I was a bit cocky," he said in a recent interview.

"I was feeling bullish coming off the U.K. show. And I don't think I really read the (American) market that well" and how a strong show could let social network power make it a hit.

In Canada the war's not on since both shows air on CTV. The voice season premiere was broadcast Monday night, the premiere of X Factor airs tonight.

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Miley Cyrus throwing punches for her fiancé

Miley Cyrus is leading a pretty dangerous life lately.

First, a man attempts to force his way into her home wielding a pair of scissors — though Cyrus wasn't home at the time — and now she's getting into bar fights. Cyrus and fiancé Liam Hemsworth were hanging out at a nightclub in the Roosevelt Hotel in Hollywood when a man bumped into Hemsworth, leading to a heated discussion,

according to Hollyscoop. After some shoving ensued, Cyrus reportedly got between the guys and ended up shoving the stranger herself and punching him in the face, according to a report of battery he later filed with the police.

So far, no arrests have been made, and Cyrus' reps doubt there will be any.

"This claim is completely false and erroneous," her rep says.

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The Word



Stewart and Franco? Sure, we'll buy it

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Although she's still shuffling through airports in Robert Pattinson's T-shirts, it seems Kristen Stewart may be entertaining the idea of moving on. The actress was spotted chatting with a "smitten" James Franco at the Toronto Film Festival, reports RadarOnline.

"There was a lot of flirting and Kristen was overjoyed by the attention she was getting from James, who was gushing over her,

saying what a great actress he thinks she is and was full of praise for her latest movie, *On the Road*," a source tells the site. "At the end of their chance meeting, James took Kristen's number and asked her out for dinner. Kristen initially said no, but is mulling over the idea. She knows she has to move on now following her break up with Rob."

Is it just us, or does this "source" sound like Kristen Stewart giving herself a pep talk in the bathroom mirror?

We wouldn't have initially put Franco and Stewart together, but maybe they can bond over complaining about fame while taking roles in blockbusters. Plus, Franco's so pretentious these days, we bet he has a stronger British accent than Pattinson.



Zac Efron

Efron not offended by gay rumours

Zac Efron appreciates his gay fans — and isn't fazed by speculation about his own sexuality.

"I don't like to live in fear about things like rumours and backlash to begin with — that's the way I was raised — but I just can't see what's so wrong about being gay," he tells the Advocate in an

interview.

He also makes it clear that he's a strong supporter of marriage equality.

"It's an issue that affects so many people in my life — a lot of my close friends and some of the most influential people around me," Efron says. "I just want them all to be happy."



Sheryl Crow

Crow blames her cell for brain tumor

Sheryl Crow developed a benign brain tumor earlier this year, and she thinks it may be all her cellphone's fault.

"There are no doctors that will confirm that. (But) I do have the theory that it's possible that it's related

to that," Crow tells Katie Couric in an interview. "I (used to spend) hours on the old archaic cell-phones."

Crow explains that the location of the tumor was suspiciously close to where she used to hold the phone.

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The view from Trius winery, one of more than two dozen wineries in Niagara-on-the-Lake. JOSEPH CHAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Autumn is a grape time to visit Niagara-on-the-Lake

Harvest heaven.

Small town near Niagara Falls boasts wineries, fresh food markets and a theatre festival

Mention Niagara and most travellers think of the famous falls, which deserve their reputation as the mother of all tourist attractions.

But there's another place with Niagara in its name just a half-hour drive from the falls that should be part of any visit to the area: Niagara-on-the-Lake, a lovely town known for wineries, an annual theatre festival and a charming downtown.

And while summer is high season for visiting the waterfalls, September and October are among the busiest months of the year in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

There are more than 30 wineries in Niagara-on-the-Lake and 80 altogether in the



The Shaw Festival. EMILY COOPER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

region, and fall is the season when visitors can see and experience the harvest and the pressing of the grapes.

Visitors can also find locally grown produce, depending on what's in season, including peaches, pears and apples, along with jams, juices and other products, for sale in places like Kurtz

Orchards Country Market, 16006 Niagara Parkway, and at a Saturday morning farmers market, through Oct. 6 at 111 Garrison Village Drive.

Fall is also the last chance to catch performances at the Shaw Festival, a popular annual event that takes place in three theatres in Niagara-on-the-Lake, staging works

by George Bernard Shaw and his contemporaries, plus new plays written about his era (1856-1950). The season began in May, with productions ranging from Ragtime, through Oct. 14, to Hedda Gabler, through Sept. 29. Noel Coward's Present Laughter and Bernard Shaw's Misalliance run through October.

For leaf-peepers, the area has "stunning fall colour," usually peaking in early October, according to Janice Thomson, executive director of Niagara-on-the-Lake's chamber of commerce. The town's leafy waterfront areas include both the Niagara River and Lake Ontario (the waterfalls flow into the river, which flows into the lake). Niagara Parkway, which follows the river, offers a "spectacular drive," according to Tina Truszyk, spokeswoman for the Tourism Partnership of Niagara.

There are also cycling routes along the river and the nearby Welland Canal. Niagara-on-the-Lake has a number of bike rental companies

If you go...

- **Niagara-on-the-Lake.** niagaraonthelake.com
- **Shaw Festival.** This annual theatre festival runs through late October. shawfest.com.
- **Wine route planner.** winecountryontario.ca/niagara-on-the-lake.
- **Icewine festival.** The icewine festival takes place in January 2013.

including some like Zoom Leisure Bike — zoomleisure.com — that offer guided bike tours of the wineries.

The region is best-known for ice wine, a specialty product made from grapes frozen on the vine in winter. The frozen grapes are nearly dehydrated so the juice is concentrated, which makes the wine sweeter than table wine.

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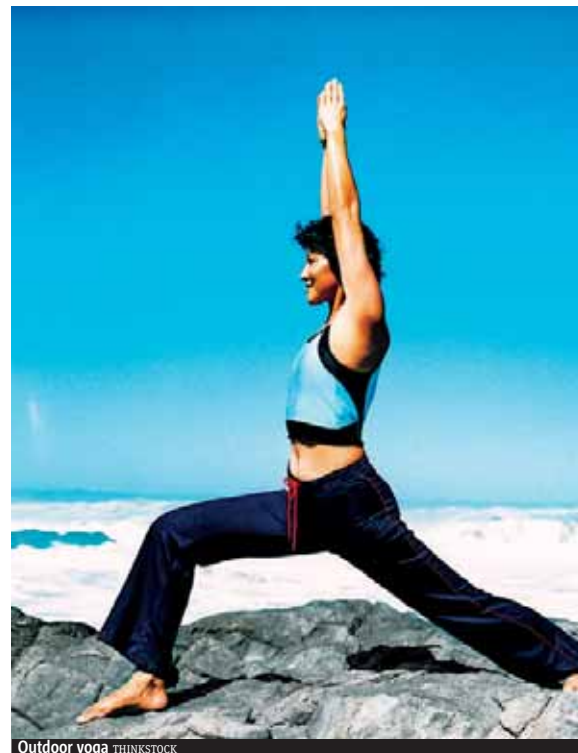
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For an invigorating individual getaway, consider The Body Holiday, which has rooms for couples but also caters heavily to singles needing a life overhaul or just a simple trip to recharge. The entire month of September is even devoted to singles — in honour of

Rendezvous for two

Have you ever been on vacation, ready to sidle up to your plus-one in the pool, tropical drink in hand, only to duck when a kid cannon-

ball through palm leaves. Get to know your partner better as you bond over your ability to stretch into yoga positions or make like Cupid and practice your bow and arrow skills at the archery range.

National Singles Month, the resort is offering September Solos from Sept. 2 to Sept. 30, starting at \$450 per person per night. Maybe you'll even make some new friends — the resort offers group sunset cruises and concerts, and at every dining venue are communal tables where you can pull up a chair for conversation. The resort purposely has an open-air Miami feel to allow the ocean breeze to touch every part of the resort, whether you're having breakfast or relaxing in the infinity pool. The hotel's promise to guests? "Give us your body for a week, and we'll give you back your mind."

balls over you? That sort of romantic mood spoiling is nonexistent at Rendezvous, a couples-only resort in St. Lucia. The phrase "couples-only" may conjure images of awkward double dinner dates with strangers, but at Rendezvous, it simply means rose petals scattered underneath massage tables and employees scuttling around the seven-acre grounds clutching champagne glasses and chocolates. Rendezvous encourages those recovering from city stress to focus on nothing but emerald water and waves — whether dining seaside or sitting in a hot tub and sneaking a glance at the

Explore the island

If you like an off-resort adventure, consider a visit to En Bas Saut. This is not for the faint of heart, nor the impatient. It's a two-hour drive from Rendezvous, up twisty curves (bring the Dramamine), past houses nestled into cliffs and over a dirt, rock-studded road. Smith Philip, a friendly local guide who greets you with a walking stick, will distract you from the 1,000 feet down into the rainforest by telling you the history of St. Lucia. And take you to a waterfall.

Nix the coconut bras, Hawaii tourism gets a touch of authenticity

Real deal. Hawaii's tourism industry is setting the facts straight — and educating visitors about island culture

Coconut bras aren't Hawaiian. Neither are grass skirts. Tiki bars? They're from California. Yet they're all among the most recognizable symbols of a Hawaiian vacation.

Now, many resorts in Hawaii are hoping to change those images, edging away from these kitschy marketing inventions and toward real-life Hawaiian traditions that can make the trip to the islands more special for travellers.

Driving the movement, in part, is economics. Tourism leaders know Hawaii needs to highlight what makes the islands unique to compete with other sun-and-surf destinations like Florida, Mexico and Thailand.

But the turn is also the latest sign of a Native Hawaiian renaissance with more locals studying Hawaiian



Fire knife dancing is often mistaken for Hawaiian even though it's a Samoan invention. LUCY PEMONI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

a sloppy dance resembling hula and Arminen strums the ukulele. Both sing in gibberish that tourists may think is Hawaiian.

Tourists watching the performance drink tropical cocktails and gush about how happy they are to be in Hawaii, oblivious to

The agency wants people to identify a fire knife dance as Samoan and Tahitian hula as Tahitian when they use

photos of various performances. If people want to show Hawaiian hula, they should be sure that's what's depicted in the images.

Keli'ihualani Wilson, the agency's cultural director, said the aim isn't to knock other Polynesian traditions, but avoid confusion.

"It's all positive stuff. No scolding. Just helping," Wilson said.

For Lori Sablas, the cultural director at the Kaanapali Beach Hotel on Maui, it is about accuracy. "My mandate is: 'How do Hawaiians think? How do Hawaiians act?' Let's not change it. Let's not make it up," she said.

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What Disney did...

The Walt Disney Co., a master of creating make-believe worlds, has taken the concept further. The global entertainment giant chose Hawaii as the location for its first major stand-alone resort that isn't a theme park. Instead of building a Cinderella castle, Disney designed the hotel Aulani around the idea of telling guests about Native Hawaiian culture. One of the hotel's bars — the Olole Room — has Hawaiian words on the wall, and its bartenders and wait staff speak Hawaiian.

brochures with photos of grass skirts, coconut bras, Samoan fire-knife dancing and Tahitian hula dancers, naturally get the impression these are Hawaiian traditions.

Trader Vic's and Don the Beachcomber restaurants started the bars on the mainland in the 1930s displaying replicas of Polynesian deities and artifacts from around the Pacific. Trader Vics opened its first Honolulu storefront in 1941, and Don the Beachcomber followed after the Second World War.

"In the '50s, nighttime shows here shifted from being just Hawaiian, which they had been previously, to Polynesian. That's when you get a knife dancer, torch guys, Tahitian hula," said DeSoto Brown, a historian at Bishop Museum.

The Hawaii Tourism Authority is distributing a new guide to advertisers, travel reporters and others involved in disseminating information about Hawaii that attempts to clarify what is and isn't Hawaiian.

language, reviving traditional styles of hula and learning ancient skills like using stars to navigate the ocean.

"It's about having that sense of place — understanding who went before us, understanding that Waikiki is a place where we are so deep seated in our culture. And now, there's this resurgence to share it with our guests," said Kehaulani Kam, cultural services director at Starwood Hotels and Resorts Waikiki.

The trend may help improve the dim view many Native Hawaiians have of tourism, the state's largest industry and biggest employer. A 2010 state survey found nearly 60 per cent of them don't believe it helps preserve their language and culture.

The disdain was captured in a Saturday Night Live skit in 2009 that drew protests from state officials and praise from others as good satire.

In it, Dwayne The Rock Johnson and Fred Armisen play two underpaid entertainers in grass skirts at a Kauai restaurant. Johnson performs



Disney's Aulani resort's staff speak Hawaiian. AUDREY MCAVOY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Village of Assos at Kefalonia Island, Greece. THINKSTOCK

HISTORY

Kefalonia (or Cephallonia) has been inhabited since prehistoric times. Today, locals like to argue that they are the descendants of Ulysses and that Kefalonia was the Homeric Ithaka. You won't see much history, however: After the 1953 earthquakes that almost razed the island to the ground, most of its neoclassical mansions, as well as Venetian and British public buildings, were demolished. One can find the only surviving remnants of pre-earthquake architecture on the northern side of the island in the picturesque fishing villages of Fiscardo and Assos. The filming of Captain Corelli's Mandolin in 2000 brought a lot of Hollywood stars (Madonna, Penelope Cruz, Tom Hanks) to Kefalonia, an island which had a non-cosmopolitan profile.

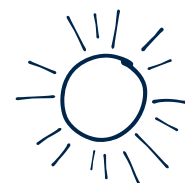
HIGHLIGHTS

During your stay on the island you can visit Argostoli, Fiscardo, the Assos Castle, the Melissani and Drogarati Caves near Sami, St George's Castle, the scenic monasteries of St Gerassimos and many picturesque small villages along the way. For hikers, Ainos (1,620m) is the highest mountain on the island. There is an excellent view from its summit, where in ancient times a temple of Zeus was situated, according to the ancient Greek author Hesiod.

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'Pop down' for a gourmet meal in a Finnish eatery located in a limestone mine

Underground restaurant. Cut off from the world, award-winning chef says 'nothing distracts from the cooking'

An award-winning chef has opened a new restaurant in Finland that turns the idea of "pop-up" eateries upside down: it's located 80 metres underground.

Discerning food lovers are being served salted salmon, veal tenderloin, snails cooked in Pernod and apple crumble in the "pop-down" restaurant in a limestone mine in the small, southern town of Lohja (LOU-ya), 60 kilometres west of Helsinki.

A four-course evening meal costs \$160, including drinks and transportation from Helsinki to the mine

and back.

In major cities around the world, "pop-up" restaurants — temporary eateries often located in underused kitchens — are allowing young chefs with experience to experiment without the risk of bankruptcy.

But Finnish chef Timo Linnamaki said the idea of preparing food down a mine was all part of being close to the earth.

"Pop-down" is such a unique idea that I just had to do it," Linnamaki said Monday, a few hours before the first guests arrived. "It's great working down here because you are totally cut off from the world, so nothing distracts from the cooking."

Eerie blue lights cut deep shadows into the ceiling of the large, dim, underground cavern, a former smithy where drills were hammered to dig into the

No (more) reservations

If you're looking for a taste of the underground, you might be out of luck. The 64-seat restaurant, with long, shiny wooden tables lit by candles, is expecting brisk business. The man behind it, Finnish chef Timo Linnamaki, said it is fully booked until the experiment ends on Sept. 29. "We'll be underground Monday to Saturday. On Sundays, we pop up to sleep," says Linnamaki.

bowels of the Earth.

Olli-Pekka Jantti, a computer retailer from Helsinki, said his meal there was superb.

"The food was absolutely delicious," Jantti said, after supping on starters of ven-

dace — a small local freshwater fish — and snails and berries.

"What I liked was that the theme of the evening was the earth, and being so deep down you really felt you were somewhere very different, very strange."

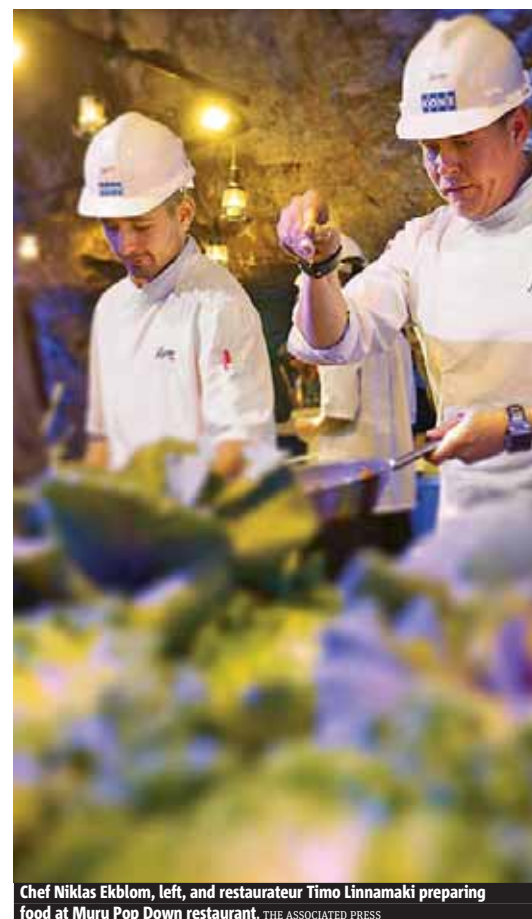
The 115-year-old mine goes down to a depth of 380 metres where limestone is still mined, mainly for the chemical industry.

Linnamaki, whose restaurant Muru — "crumb" in Finnish — won this year's gourmet title in Finland only two years after it opened, says the experience of working down in the gloomy depths has inspired him to search for new challenges.

"Certainly it's the weirdest place I have cooked," he said.

"It could be difficult to find something on par."

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Chef Niklas Ekblom, left, and restaurateur Timo Linnamaki preparing food at Muru Pop Down restaurant. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



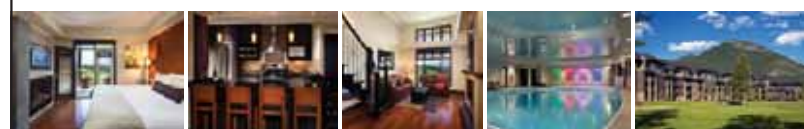
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Sweet and savoury team up in Creamy Apple Curry Chicken

When you think curry, chances are potatoes and chicken come to mind. But you also should consider apples.

Though not necessarily a traditional touch for curry, apples work deliciously well with the big, spicy flavours of the dish. In fact, there is very little that is traditional about the curry assembled here, but we're not all that worried about it. It's so delicious, the name almost seems irrelevant.

A quick sauté of vegetables and chicken — along with those aforementioned apples — is tied together with a creamy curry sauce. To keep the autumnal feel, throw in

some dried cranberries and top it with toasted almonds. If you don't want to serve it over rice, you could opt for egg noodles.

1. In a large, deep skillet over medium-high heat, melt the butter. Add the onion and sauté until tender, about 7 minutes. Add both bell peppers, cauliflower and chicken. Cook until the vegetables are just tender and the chicken is cooked through, about 10 to 12 minutes.

2. Add the apples, curry powder, salt and pepper. Cook until the apples are just tender, about 3 to 5 minutes.

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter
- 1 large yellow onion, cut into 1-inch chunks
- 1 each green and red bell pepper, cored and cut into 1-inch chunks
- 2 cups cauliflower florets
- 1 lb boneless, skinless chicken thighs, cut into bite-size cubes
- 3 medium apples, peeled, cored and diced
- 2 tbsp curry powder
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp ground black pepper
- 3 tbsp all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1/3 cup dried cranberries
- 1/3 cup toasted almonds



This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

3. Sprinkle the flour over everything, stirring to coat. Add the milk and cranberries,

stirring and cooking until the sauce comes to a simmer and thickens. Serve sprinkled with

toasted almonds.

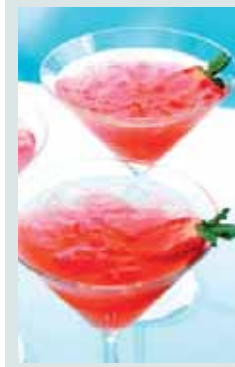
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Drink of the Week

Pretty in pink punch

- 1 can (295 ml) pink lemonade frozen concentrate (unthawed)
- 1 can (250 ml) strawberry daiquiri frozen concentrate (unthawed)
- 250 ml (1 cup) white rum (optional)
- 250 ml (1 cup) water
- 1 l (4 cups) ice cubes
- Sliced strawberries, for garnish

In blender, combine pink lemonade and daiquiri frozen concentrates, rum, if using, and water; add ice cubes. Pulse until blended and frothy, about 1 minute. Float berries on the surface for a special garnish. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/ MINUTEMAID.CA**



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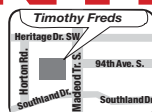
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Experience is key. It's not what you know, but who you know.

Be open to other options. These job search strategies – we've all heard them before – sound like a cliché, but they have a wealth of truth ringing through them.

With the summer break now in full swing (I don't think I ever fully appreciated how lucky I was as a student to have summer holidays beginning in April), students will be thinking about landing a position that can give them solid experience in their field.

A recent Accountemps survey found that 78 per cent of more than 270 CFOs (chief financial officers) interviewed believe it is important for entry-level accounting and finance candidates to have gained work experience while in school.

"Even for entry level roles, many employers are in search of new hires who can apply their previous experience and contribute to the organization immediately," says Kathryn Bolt, Canadian president of Accountemps.

"Although this may seem like a catch-22, where it's difficult to land a job without experience or gain experience without a job, candidates who have internships or temporary assignments on their resume are more marketable to a prospective company."

How to get experience while you're still a student:

Network, network, network
Make connections through classes, summer jobs, intern-



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ships, volunteer placements, etc., and stay in touch with these people. Never underestimate the power of who you know.

Be involved

Participating in groups related to your field will expand your network and give you further experience. However, do not just join — look for opportunities to take on leadership roles. It is important not only to be involved, but to stand out.

Consider temporary work

This can be a way to obtain work experience while meeting prospective employers and getting your foot in with different companies.

Land an internship

Internships give you direct, resume-worthy experience and often lead into full-time employment.

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Volunteer

Find roles that align with your professional goals, if possible. Therefore, if you are an accounting major, consider acting as the treasurer for a student group that interests you. This not only acts as applicable experience, but also helps you

discover your strengths in the field you are pursuing.

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Size it up. Go big or go small when finding your firm?

Bigger not always better

"With so many people starting at the same level at once, there is a lot of pressure to compete and work overtime."

Accountant Alissa Kahn

When searching for a job at an accounting firm, there are many factors to consider, such as location, types of responsibilities and training.

Another important factor to consider is the size of the firm. Accounting firms can vary in size from one to more than 10,000 people, and it's important to make the choice that will best fit your personality, your career goals and your lifestyle.

Although the experience at each firm may be different, we spoke with recent grads who are now working in accounting about their experiences to help you decide where you'll fit in.

Work-life balance

Large firms often have big groups of 40 or more new accountants starting at once, which means the competition can be higher than at smaller firms. Alissa Kahn, an accountant at a mid-sized firm of about 90 people, says she's lucky she doesn't have that much competition. "With so many people starting at the same level at once, there is a lot of pressure to compete and work overtime. At my smaller firm, I don't really experience that same pressure."

Learning opportunities

However, since so many new accountants start their jobs at once in large accounting firms, it also means the firms tend to invest a lot of time and money in classroom-type training and mentoring, which small firms cannot usually do. "I did not get as much textbook training and I had to really learn on the job. It's good for my career, but it's tough in the beginning," says Kahn.

At larger firms, you may also work in groups or teams and have joint tasks and clients. This is great if you like

working in a team and enjoy having multiple perspectives on a project.

Training

While learning on the job will help give you hands-on knowledge in the accounting field, you have to depend on your supervisors to train you. "Most of the time the people that are supposed to be training you are very busy handling their own workloads and don't have time to teach you everything which can be frustrating," says Yoel Hofman, an accountant in a small firm of 25 employees. VICKY TOBIANAH IS A JOURNALIST AND FREELANCE WRITER WITH AN HONOURS BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND ENGLISH LITERATURE FROM MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

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I graduated from McMaster University in 2011 and joined PwC as an Associate in the Audit & Assurance Group based in the Toronto office.

Coming out of university, where I had a very tightly knit group of friends, the one thing I was most afraid of was change. However, I quickly learned after I joined the firm that change is not necessarily a bad thing and definitely not as scary as it seems. Because of all the extra-curricular activities I took part in at McMaster, I was confident and ready to launch my career. Lucky for me, I was able to join a firm that supported, which made the school to work transition, seamless.

If I were to look back at my transition from carrying a backpack to now a briefcase, the one thing that I would not change is getting outside my comfort zone. When I



was a student, I explored new chances to make me a more confident and well-rounded person. These are two essential characteristics that employers are looking for.

Where I am now

As an Associate, I am fulfilling my dream of adding value to my clients on a daily basis. I'm also learning more everyday about the accounting and business world, while writing exams to obtain my Chartered Accountant (CA) designation.

Besides auditing, I'm passionate about giving back to people and coaching young students and professionals in their respective careers. As PwC's national recruiting blogger and one of only six people chosen to represent PwC in its campus branding, I do just that by allowing others to learn from my personal stories of success and failure both via my blog posts and through speeches I deliver at various universities

across the GTA.

In my spare time, I volunteer by serving as the CFO (chief financial officer) and Career Coach for a new start-up NPO (non-profit organization) called Canada Pakistan Professionals Association (CPPA). At CPPA, I oversee their finances, as well as provide young professionals with advice and support.

My recommendations for employers, career centres and schools

My recommendation for employers, career centres or schools is to really find ways to connect with students more personally and give them with tailored support.

My recommendations for students

My advice for students and recent grads would be to never see failure as a hindrance to their end goals, but rather a catalyst and a motivator to go above and beyond their own expectations. The reason why I am reasonably successful today is because I made mistakes in my past and learned from them.

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If you're just starting out at your first entry level or early-career job in financial services or accounting, you may not have given too much thought to your long-term career objectives.

But if you aspire to a management position one day, you'll need to start planning now.

A recent survey developed by Robert Half Management Resources has found that fewer than one third of management positions in accounting and finance were filled by candidates who were promoted internally. Employers are more commonly looking outside their own organization for managers.

Why is this figure so low?

According to David King, Canadian president of Robert Half, many companies don't have a fully developed plan for suc-



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cession. "Everyone thinks it's a good idea, but it gets bumped down the priority list," he says.

When a vacancy comes up unexpectedly, a company may not have qualified internal candidates on hand to replace departing employees. In other cases, a qualified internal candidate can't be promoted because their position can't be back-filled. Hiring in a hurry may result in an internal candidate with unexplored potential taking a backseat to an employee who can't be trained for eventual promotion.

How to get promoted**Speak up**

You may need to raise your voice in order to give yourself a good shot, particularly if you're being overlooked.

"If you get a sense that others have been identified for roles and you're not getting tapped on the shoulder, it's appropriate to ask for feedback in terms of what skill sets you're lacking," he says. This type of communication reiterates your commitment to future advancement.

Improve yourself

If you notice that you're lacking a skill in demand among managers at your company, try to learn close to home.

"Seeking professional development that's sponsored by your company would be ideal, and if it isn't, you may have to look for it on your own time," says King.

In either case, make sure your supervisor is aware that you're dedicating your own time to broadening your skill set on your employer's behalf.

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League, players both to blame for labour strife: Daly

NHL. Face-to-face meeting of two sides hastily scheduled for Wednesday

The NHL and the players' association will resume negotiations on Wednesday in an effort to avoid a lockout this weekend.

After not meeting face to face since last Friday, the sides planned to get together at the league office in New York be-

fore the NHLPA holds player meetings later Wednesday.

The NHL board of governors will convene on Thursday with commissioner Gary Bettman, while the union holds a second day of discussions with as many as 250 players.

The hastily scheduled negotiating session for Wednesday came just hours after NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly said owners and players were both to blame for their failure to reach a new collective bargaining agreement before current deal expires on Saturday.

Quiet period

- The sides haven't had a full bargaining session since Aug. 31 and the strife is threatening regular-season openers scheduled to start Oct. 11.
- The pre-season is set to begin on Sept. 19.

Daly wrote in an email to The Associated Press on Tuesday that he hoped both sides

would meet before Saturday, but didn't sound optimistic it would happen.

"To this point, we have received no indication that the union has anything new to say to us. And right now, we have nothing new to say to them," he wrote Tuesday. "It's unfortunate, but it's the reality of the situation."

That changed Tuesday night. Whether the restart of talks will lead to a quick resolution remains to be seen. The NHL's labour contract expires at midnight Saturday night,

and a lockout seems likely. It would be the league's fourth work stoppage since 1992.

"Ultimately, we just want to negotiate a fair deal that will give all our clubs an ability to be stable and healthy," Daly wrote. "We hoped (and still hope) we can do that without causing any interruption to the upcoming season. Logic would have suggested we would have been able to. The fact that we haven't yet is extremely disappointing, and is a failure for which we both must share blame."

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Panama's Luis Henriquez, top, and Canada's Patrice Bernier fight for the ball during a 2014 World Cup qualifying soccer match in Panama City on Tuesday. ARNULFO FRANCO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Power shortage for Canadians in Panama

Rolando Blackburn and Blas Perez each scored as Panama beat Canada's men's soccer team 2-0 on Tuesday in World Cup qualifying.

Blackburn struck in the 23rd minute after rising above some suspect Canadian marking to head in the ball just inside the post.

Perez added another in the 57th minute to raucous applause inside the Estadio Rommel Fernandez to put his side atop Group C. Canada won the first leg of the home-and-home series 1-0 at BMO Field in Toronto on Friday.

Canada looked out of sorts in the first few minutes while Panama appeared buoyed by the incredible noise made by the home supporters.

Then six minutes in, the lights went out.

A bank of lights in the stadium's north end went out and remained that way for about

Tuesday's game

2	0
Panama	Canada

14 minutes. When play resumed, Canada had taken out star striker Dwayne De Rosario due to a knee injury that he suffered on an earlier tackle.

The delay provided an opportunity for Canadian medical staff to work on De Rosario, but in the end they had to replace him with Tosaint Ricketts.

Just minutes after play resumed in the 24th minute, Canada got one of their best chances when Marcel de Jong had a shot from the left-hand side flash across the face of the goal and go wide.

Not to be outdone, Panama's Alberto Quintero skillfully eluded both David Edgar and Kevin McKenna before unleashing a powerful right-footed shot that forced Lars Hirschfeld to make a diving save to his left.

Panama got on the board after Blackburn found space on a corner kick despite being surrounded by several Canadian defenders to go up 1-0.

In the 57th minute, Quintero led an attack on the left wing and easily evaded a sliding Edgar tackle. Hirschfeld raced off his line to try to cut down the angle but Quintero cut the ball back and Perez was there to stab it home from close range.

Meanwhile, Honduras beat Cuba 1-0 to move to second in the four-team group. The result dropped Canada to third place on goal differential.

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CFL. Stamps' Cornish top Canadian 3 weeks running

Calgary Stampeders running back Jon Cornish has won his third straight CFL Canadian player of the week award after his career game against rival Edmonton.

Cornish ran for a career-best 185 yards and a touchdown as the Stampeders beat the Eskimos 20-18 on Friday and moved into second place in the CFL West.

The New Westminster, B.C., native helped his team to the close win with a 59-yard touchdown run with 5:57 remaining in the fourth quarter.

Toronto's Chad Kackert won the offensive-player-of-



John Cornish THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

the-week award. Winnipeg's Jason Vega took the defensive award. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NFL

Goodell to meet with players punished in bounty probe

NFL commissioner Roger Goodell and four players whose suspensions in connection with the bounty investigation were recently lifted by an appeals panel have agreed to new meetings on the matter.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said Tuesday no specific dates have been set for the meetings. An attorney for Saints linebacker Jonathan Vilma said his client hoped to meet with the commissioner by early next week.

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ECHL. Minor-league team extends invite to Bieber

The Bakersfield Condors believe Justin Bieber is more than a sweet voice with slick dance moves.

The ECHL team has offered the Canadian pop phenom an amateur tryout contract for the upcoming hockey season.

The team says in a news release it hopes the five-foot-seven "slender built superstar can provide a rookie presence" for the Condors.

The club also says his "sick flow will fit right in with a Condors team known for their style."

A team spokesman said the club contacted Bieber's agent about the offer but as of



Justin Bieber GETTY IMAGES FILE

Tuesday afternoon there had been no response.

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Mobile sports



Efforts to bring the NBA back to Seattle — and possibly the NHL — took a giant step forward with a revised arena deal announced Tuesday. Scan the code for the story.

4 SPORTS

Mariners eke out win to end Jays' winning ways in Toronto

MLB. Seattle tags Toronto ace Morrow for career-high 11 hits

It was clear from the start that Blue Jays pitcher Brandon Morrow didn't have his best stuff against the Seattle Mariners on Tuesday night.

He gave up hits to the first three batters he faced and the Mariners built an early lead they wouldn't relinquish in a 4-3 victory over Toronto in front of a season-low Rogers Centre crowd of 12,935.

Morrow tied a career high by giving up 11 hits over four-plus innings as the Blue Jays had their four-game winning streak come to an end. Toronto (64-76) had its chances against Seattle starter Erasmo Ramirez (1-2) but couldn't put together a big inning.

Morrow needed 27 pitches to get out of the opening frame. The Mariners put up two early runs and were on their way to ending a three-game skid.

"I think the only thing that kept that from being eight runs was probably my change-up," Morrow said. "I had a decent change-up and was able to keep them off-balance a little bit that way."

"But it was just one of those

Tuesday's game

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Blue Jays

days, really."

Seattle (68-74) had four of its 14 hits in the opening frame. Morrow had given his former team fits in the past, winning all three of his starts and posting an impressive 1.89 earned-run average.

The Mariners used a balanced offensive attack with all but one starter recording at least one hit. Kyle Seager was a triple short of the cycle.

"We were ready for the fastball," Franklin Gutierrez said. "(Morrow) is a power pitcher and obviously we need to get on the fastball first and that's what we did, get him early and try to score some runs early."

Ramirez pitched seven effective innings for his first major-league win. The Blue Jays put the tying run in scoring position in the ninth before Tom Wilhelmssen picked up his 25th save by getting Anthony Gose to ground out to end it.

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Blue Jays third baseman Brett Lawrie tags out Seattle's John Jaso on Tuesday night in Toronto. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Bruins 'fly in the face' of lockout with Seguin deal



Tyler Seguin, 20, says he's ready to be a leader on the veteran-laden Bruins despite his young age. CHRISTIAN PETERSEN/GETTY IMAGES FILE

The Bruins continued their pre-lockout signing strategy Tuesday, agreeing with forward Tyler Seguin on a six-year, \$34-million US contract extension.

Seguin, 20, led Boston with 29 goals and 67 points last season, and posted a plus-34 rating. In and out of the lineup as a rookie in 2010-11 when the Bruins won the Stanley Cup, Seguin cemented his place on the team last year and played in the 2012 all-star game in Ottawa.

Seguin was the No. 2 overall pick by Boston in 2010, and had 22 points in his rookie season

as Boston defeated Vancouver in seven games to win the Stanley Cup. The Bruins were eliminated last season in the first round by the Washington Capitals.

On Friday, they locked up forward Brad Marchand to a new, four-year deal. The feisty Marchand, 24, a key cog in the Bruins' run to the 2011 cup, will make \$4.5 million per season, starting in 2013-14. He is scheduled to make \$3 million in the coming season, the last of his two-year contract.

Seguin's salary begins with a \$4.5-million salary in 2013-14

and ends with a salary of \$6.5 million in 2018-19. The contract averages \$5.75 million per year.

"We've tried to be relatively proactive in extending contracts for guys prior to the start of the season and we're trying to keep our core together," Boston general manager Peter Chiarelli said Friday. "It's part and parcel of that in what we're trying to do."

"It may fly in the face of the labour situation at this time, but we feel very strongly in the core of our team."

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Ready to take over

Despite his youth, Seguin thinks he can be a leader on the Bruins.

- "I adapt to new situations well. I'm a confident player," he said during a conference call with Chiarelli. "I feel like I've settled in.... I don't look at my age as a factor. I want to be a leader even at the age of 20."

CFL

Bombers to go with QB Elliott this weekend in Calgary

Joey Elliott will get one more shot to ignite Winnipeg's sputtering offence this weekend when the Calgary Stampeders (6-4) host the Blue Bombers (2-8).

Although top quarter-

back Buck Pierce has recovered from his Week 3 foot injury, Bombers coach Tim Burke said he'll stick with Elliott. Pierce will take over when Hamilton visits Winnipeg Sept. 21.

Pierce admitted he would like to start playing immediately but said the decisions is out of his hands.

"As a player, it's really not up to you," he said.

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Buck Pierce THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

MLB

Red Sox able to play spoiler to Yankees in lost season

Jacoby Ellsbury singled in the winning run with his fourth hit of the game in the ninth inning and the Boston Red Sox beat New York 4-3 on Tuesday night, dropping the Yankees into a tie for first

place in the AL East.

Pedro Ciriaco, who started the rally with a single, slid in to beat the throw from right-fielder Ichiro Suzuki to give Boston its second win in 13 games.

The loss left the Yankees and Orioles tied with 79-62 records. Baltimore beat Tampa Bay 9-2 on Tuesday night. The Rays are two back in the division.

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Tennis



"I'm just glad that I finally managed to do it.... And I hope it's not the only one."

Andy Murray on Tuesday, a day after winning his first Grand Slam tournament at the U.S. Open.

Belfort happy to test himself against Jones

UFC. The Phenom insists he loves the challenge of facing the light-heavyweight champ at UFC 152

Not many fighters wanted to step into the cage in Toronto against UFC light-heavyweight champion Jon (Bones) Jones, according to UFC boss Dana White.

But while others only saw a high possibility of defeat, veteran fighter Vitor (The Phenom) Belfort saw a chance to test himself.

"Now I fight not for the fame, not for the money, not for the position, I fight for pleasure," said the 35-year-old Brazilian who made his pro debut in October 1996 when Jones was nine. "It's a joy... I'm like a young dinosaur. I'm an old lion in the midst of these young lions. So I'm enjoying this jungle."

"I love challenges and this is another challenge in my life."

That was good news for White, who admitted he had a hard time finding an opponent after Dan Henderson withdrew due to injury.

"No one's too excited to jump around and fight Jon



Vitor Belfort, left, battles Rich Franklin at UFC 103 on Sept. 19, 2009, in Dallas. JON KOPALOFF/GETTY IMAGES

Jones right now," White told a media conference call Tuesday.

Jones and Belfort face off Sept. 22 at UFC 152 at the Air Canada Centre.

It's a matchup of phenoms.

Belfort (21-9) was nicknamed The Phenom after winning the UFC 12 heavyweight tournament in February 1997, becoming at 19 the youngest fighter to win in the Octagon.

Jones became the UFC's

youngest-ever champion when he dethroned Mauricio (Shogun) Rua at the age of 23 years 242 days.

Jones (16-1) was slated to meet Henderson at UFC 151 on Sept. 1 in Las Vegas. But the UFC was forced to shelve the event after Jones refused to accept middleweight contender Chael Sonnen as a replacement opponent, saying it was too short notice.

White was irate at the time but has since calmed down. Still, Jones and he have yet to hash it out.

"We'll see each other in Toronto. He and I need to get into a room face to face and talk," White said.

"I've been in this business for 12 years and I've dealt

with just about everybody you can deal with — good guys, bad guys. You know Jon Jones isn't a bad guy."

Said Jones: "I'm over it, man, I really am. I'm actually getting more and excited to talk to Dana and get this behind us."

White said he opted for Belfort over Sonnen as an opponent for Jones in Toronto because the Brazilian was already training for a fight while Sonnen wasn't.

And the UFC boss dismissed any critics of the matchup.

"If you don't like this fight and you don't think it's going to be a great fight, don't watch it," he said dismissively. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

College football. Gay player claims kiss got him booted from team

A concussion kept Jamie Kuntz from suiting up for his first college football game. A kiss from his much-older boyfriend at that game led the freshman linebacker to be kicked off the team, he said.

North Dakota State College of Sciences in Wahpeton acknowledges Kuntz was disciplined by the team, but says it wasn't because he is gay. Football coach Chuck Parsons told Kuntz in a letter that he was removed from the team for lying about the kiss.

Kuntz, 18, and on a partial football scholarship, left the college in southeast North Dakota this month after his dismissal from the team.

Kuntz said he and his 65-year-old boyfriend were in the press box at the game against Snow College in Pueblo, Colo., over Labour Day weekend. Kuntz was videotaping the game for the team when "the kiss just happened," he said.

"People around here aren't exposed to it," Kuntz said of homosexuality. "People expect guys to be flamboyant, not foot-

Quoted

"If it was an older woman, I would have probably been congratulated for it from my teammates."

Jamie Kuntz

ball players."

A teammate apparently saw the kiss and told coaches, Kuntz said. When Parsons confronted Kuntz on the bus ride back to North Dakota, Kuntz told him the man he kissed was his grandfather. Later, he felt guilty about lying and came clean to his coach.

In a Sept. 3 dismissal letter, Parsons told Kuntz he was being ousted from the team under the "conduct deemed detrimental to the team" category outlined in guidelines in the team's player's manual. Parsons specifically noted the manual's section on "lying to coaches, teachers or other school staff." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Jamie Kuntz says he was kicked off of the North Dakota State College of Sciences football team for being gay. School officials say he was dismissed from the team for lying to a coach. JAMES MACPHERSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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"Vitor stepped up and took the fight. Guys that were next in line for the fight wanted nothing to do with it."

UFC president Dana White

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Encore: It's just different



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Engine

Getting the Encore up to speed is the responsibility of a 1.4-litre turbocharged, four-cylinder engine that generates 140 horsepower and 148 pound-feet of torque. Both the Chevrolet Sonic and Cruze also employ this powerplant, which runs on regular gas and not premium.

A six-speed automatic is

the Encore's only available transmission. For this application, a "steeper" first gear helps improve off-the-line performance while a "taller" sixth gear causes the engine to loaf along at lower engine revs at highway speeds for more fuel-efficient operation. Official consumption numbers aren't out just yet, but should approach the Cruze's 7.2/4.6 city/highway l/100 km rating.



A six-speed automatic transmission and turbocharged 1.4-litre four-cylinder are standard.

Quiet ride

The cabin has a feature called "active noise cancellation." The system uses ceiling-mounted microphones that detect offending droning sounds. A special computer then creates counteracting sound waves through the audio-system speakers. It's a system that's commonly found on more expensive vehicles.

2013 Buick Encore

- **Type.** Four-door, front/all-wheel-drive compact wagon.
- **Engine (hp):** 1.4-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (140).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy): 7.2/4.9 (est.).
- **Base Price (incl. destination):** \$23,000 (est.).

Review. Buick drives home the point that the old ways are exactly that

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Generally, an encore follows a great performance. In Buick terms, that could mean the Verano or the Regal, but both of those are sedans, while the new Encore is a small tall wagon.

OK, we can just hear the quips now, likely involving an Enclave wagon that has been left in the dryer a little too long. However, the Encore is a uniquely practical vehicle that can hold lots of gear and

can hold its own in the horsepower and fuel-consumption departments. Also adding to its versatility is the availability of all-wheel-drive.

The fact that it approximates a scaled-down version of the Enclave is far from being a bad thing. From its oval-shaped "waterfall" grille to the tip of its two-tone bumper, the Encore features a neat blend of stylish design cues with just a hint of

ruggedness. That should help broaden the car's appeal to buyers much younger than Buick's traditional core audience.

The Encore is based on the same platform used by Buick's Verano sedan plus Chevrolet's Cruze and Sonic small cars. However, it's about 18 centimetres longer and 13 centimetres taller than the Sonic hatchback, thereby giving it far more cargo room with the

rear seat in place or folded flat. Not as much room back there as a Hyundai Tucson or even a Toyota Matrix, but the front passenger seat does fold flat so that longer items such as ladders, hockey sticks and building materials can be accommodated.

With its diminutive size, crisp styling and clever interior packaging, this is one Encore that has been long overdue.

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Acura ILX

With a growing appeal for efficiency and affordability in a premium-car wrapper, it makes a whole lot of sense for Acura to add the ILX as a lower-cost point of entry into this brand.

The premium compact ILX can actually be had in a gasoline-electric hybrid derivative, making it the first such vehicle to carry the Acura name.

Expect most ILX buyers to opt for the traditional 2.4-litre four-cylinder paired with a conventional automatic transmission, all in a thinly veiled spinoff of parent Honda's Civic Si.

From door handles, sharper styling and more cabin comfort, the ILX features some subtle differences from the Civic, but the platform is similar.



Cadillac ATS

This General Motors division has come around to the idea that bigger isn't always better, so it developed the ATS to try and find a place alongside the top sporty compact sedans such as the BMW 3-series.

The ATS is not simply a cut-down version of the larger CTS. Lead designer Dave Leone's vision for the ATS partnered a light and compact body, with the power of rear- and all-wheel drive, along with a front strut suspension — much like that of the BMW 3-series — to improve steering performance over the CTS.

The ATS offers three engine types: the entry-level 2.5-litre four-cylinder; a 2.0-litre four-cylinder turbo; and the attack-style 3.6-litre V6 rated at 321 horsepower.

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new cars to watch

Chevrolet Spark

Chevy is touting the Spark as "the driving solution for city living" in the manufacturer's hope that this stylish and affordable entry will clobber the micro-car market.

Small on size but big on technology and creature comforts, one of the Spark's greatest features is its ability to slide into tight parking spaces where few cars have gone before. Ten standard airbags also offer safety assurance in a small vehicle.

The 1.2-litre four-cylinder engine delivers about 6.0 l/100 km on the highway. Good, but not spectacular as some larger cars are rated better. Expect pricing to be less than micro-car competitors from 2012, such as the Scion iQ and the Fiat 500 Pop.



Subaru BRZ

It's billed as a collaborative effort between Subaru and Toyota that carries characteristics of each brand.

Subaru's 2.0-litre engine is at the heart of both, however. Interestingly, the fuel-injection is designed by Toyota. Rather rev-happy, it's rated at an even 200 horsepower. Manual and automatic transmissions are offered, each with six ratios.

Subaru's advertised vision for the BRZ is to bring "superior steering response" with the power of rear-wheel-drive and the balance of a sports car. The rear-drive layout — a first for Subie — and the relative lightweight of 2,690 pounds (1,220 kilograms) should help to reach that performance goal, along with a centre of gravity that's only at knee height.



SRT Viper

Back by popular demand — for a fifth generation — the 2013 SRT Viper no longer carries the Dodge logo. What did make it this time around is the V10 engine displacing 8.4 litres and cranking out 640 horsepower.

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Autopilot



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If you're thinking you'd like your next vehicle to be electrically driven, you certainly have options. More and more major automotive brands are bringing out electric models (EVs) and plug-in hybrids (PHEVs).

But maybe you're thinking there's something not quite right about walking into a dealership and buying a brand new EV or PHEV. Maybe it gives you a funny feeling like Captain Rex Kramer had in the movie *Airplane!* You know, when he goes into the control tower to coach the inexperienced Ted Striker to land the plane, and a control tower operator asks him if they should turn on the search lights to make things easier, and Kramer says, after a few moments of thought,

"No, it's just what they'll be expecting us to do."

In the same vein, you could do your own "180" and convert an old gasoline car over to electricity.

You could take something like a 1983 Porsche 944, rip out its gasoline-powered engine and related paraphernalia, and replace them with an electric motor, controller and batteries. You could do the same with a 1985 Jaguar XJ6.

You could pick any vehicle actually, but I picked those two specific models, because there happens to be actual examples of them recently converted over to electric drive. I met them, and their respective owners, at last weekend's EV Fest Electric Vehicle Show in Toronto.

Brian Kirk's white Porsche currently looks like a science experiment, but that's intentional. He would ultimately like his company, Singular Motion EV, to be in the business of converting customer cars over to electricity; the Porsche is essentially his calling card and real-life slide show on how one goes about



This Porsche is electric, thanks to Brian Kirk, pictured in photo at right, and Graham Lambert of Singular Motion EV. Their motto: Drive fast, drive green! CONTRIBUTED

electrifying a previously gas-powered automobile.

He has over \$20,000 invested in it already, and apparently it's fast — faster even than the original gasoline version.

"We wanted to prove the point that electric cars are not slow," says Kirk, adding that acceleration from a dead stop

is "phenomenal."

"That's our reason for starting the company. We thought other people should be enjoying this as well."

He feels the current crop of EVs from the majors leaves a lot to be desired, when it comes to styling and performance options. He contends that conversion not only gives

you limitless vehicle options, it also might save a perfectly good car body from dying in the scrap yard.

Don Singh's electric Jaguar has a similar cottage-industry look to the conversion. He too is able to convert cars and supply parts for potential customers (through his company, Epic Car Conversions). He says



the Jaguar is currently both a test bed and an "office on wheels."

For others contemplating the jump, he would advise picking a "light" vehicle, to get more bang for your battery buck.

Whatever you pick, just make sure you plug it in. Brian Kirk failed to top up the Porsche before making the run from his base in Newmarket to the EV show at Toronto's Brickworks. He ran out of juice about five kilometres from the show. The CAA towed him the rest of the way.



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More power, less fuel: Diesels gaining popularity

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Once used mostly in trucks, diesel engines are showing up in several new cars and SUVs in Canada, primarily for their power and fuel economy.

"We got rid of all the negatives associated with a diesel, which is the black smoke out the tailpipe, the smell, and the emissions," says Sylvain Gilbert, manager of technical service, literature and ISO for Mercedes-Benz Canada.

Diesel engines differ from gasoline engines in several ways. They have higher compression, which creates more engine heat. This heat is used to ignite the fuel, unlike a gasoline engine that uses a spark plug.

When the diesel engine is cold, such as if the car has been sitting overnight, a glow plug inside it heats up to initially ignite the fuel. In the past, drivers had to turn the key and wait several seconds for the glow plug to warm up, but in today's diesels, the plug heats so quickly that diesels take no more time to start than gasoline engines. Diesels produce



The Mercedes-Benz M-Class is available with a six-cylinder diesel engine.

JILL MCINTOSH/FOR METRO

more torque than gasoline engines, and do so at lower engine speeds, improving acceleration and towing ability. In many cases, a six-cylinder diesel will produce more torque than an eight-cylinder gasoline engine.

"Traditionally, if you think back 15 or 20 years, diesels were underpowered," Gilbert says. "Then they started to put turbochargers on them, and perfected the injector system, which improved the power and reduced emissions."

Because its fuel has a higher energy density than gasoline, and it isn't revving as high, a diesel engine gets better mileage. The diesel-powered Mercedes-Benz M-Class makes more torque than the six-cylinder gasoline engine, but is

rated at a combined 8.9 L/100 km, versus 10.7 L/100 km for gasoline.

Diesel engines are built "beefier" than gas engines because they must withstand the higher compression. This, plus their turbocharger, usually makes them more expensive — the diesel M-Class is \$1,500 more than the gas version — but their stronger construction means they traditionally last longer. The company estimates that 80 per cent of M-Class models sold in Canada have a diesel engine. "It's all about the low-end torque," Gilbert says.

"People brag about horsepower, but the bottom line is: what pulls you out of the hole and helps you climb that steep hill is torque."

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The automotive sector that powers the greater Detroit area has experienced some rough times over the past few years, but now appears to be returning to better health. To celebrate the workers employed by the Big Three and their subsidiaries, The Burn Rubber Sneaker Boutique located in the Detroit suburb of Royal Oak, in conjunction with New Balance Athletic Shoe, Inc., has created the Michigan Workforce Pack. This brand consists of specially styled sneakers designed for Detroit's automotive employees. Although similar in appearance, the "blue collar" model features an orange sole with matching laces, while the "white collar" model uses a grey sole and black laces. Each pair sells for \$150 US and can be ordered online at burnrubber.bigcartel.com.



Cordless winch

A winch is a handy item when you're heading off road and into unfamiliar territory. If you don't already have one bolted to your Jeep, or similar machine, consider getting the PullzAll from Warn Industries. This cordless device is powered by a 24-volt DC battery pack that can be charged using any standard vehicle outlet. It also has the capacity to lift or pull up to 1,000 pounds (454 kilograms), yet it weighs only 18 pounds (about eight kilograms) so it's easy to tote. The PullzAll lists for about \$500 US (including two battery packs) and is available through hardware and specialty outlets throughout the United States and Canada, as well as various online resellers. For the complete list by region, head to warn.com. **WHEELBASE**



Umm, we're pretty sure cars aren't supposed to do that

Toro Rosso driver Jean-Eric Vergne loses control of his car during the Italian Formula One GP, at the Monza racetrack in Italy on Sunday.

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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

You are under a lot of pressure at the moment, but how much of it comes from other people and how much of it comes from yourself? Maybe you need to be a bit more relaxed about the world.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Don't plan anything strenuous for today because you need to relax, both physically and mentally. You may be a Taurus and more robust than most but you still need some down time now and again.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

If there is someone you want to say sorry to then now is the ideal time. Venus in the communications area of your chart will make it easy to connect on both an emotional and a mental level.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You have a great deal going for you at the moment, so stop being so critical of yourself. Stand back from everyday events and see your life from a higher and wider perspective. It's actually a pretty picture.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Take life at an easygoing pace and ignore those who say you should be pushing yourself harder. There comes a point where what you put in is more than what you get out. You are near that point now.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

If you lack enthusiasm for what you are about to do, you will most likely make a poor job of it, so why not postpone it or even give up on it? You're allowed to change your mind you know.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You may want to outshine your rivals and competitors but the planets warn that may not be possible today. It's always a mistake to compare yourself to other people. It's a sure way to drive yourself mad.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You know something that others do not, something that gives you an edge. Whatever that something is, you must be careful how and when you use it. Knowledge is power, so don't reveal it too quickly.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Friends and colleagues are aware of what you can do, so don't waste time trying to prove yourself. The important thing is not that others feel good about you but that you feel good about yourself. Do you?

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

If there is someone you want to impress, now is the time to speak up and let them know what you can do. But don't exaggerate your achievements to prove what a wonderful person you are. They know already.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Take your foot off the gas and take life at a more enjoyable pace. You don't have to work twice as hard and move twice as fast as everyone else. This is one of those days when less means more.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

Those around you will respond better to kindness than coercion today. Also, if you can find it in your heart to forgive someone else's sins today they are more likely to forgive your sins tomorrow. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword: Island, Water, Rockers, More Water

Across

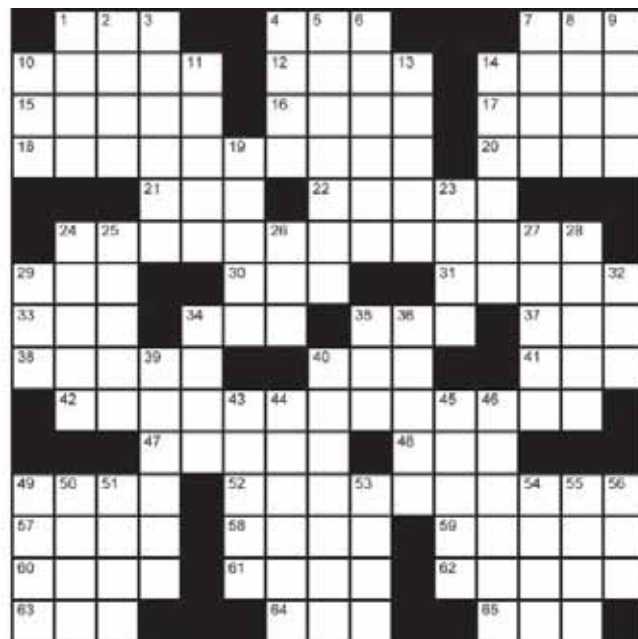
1. Windsor product
4. Volcanic fallout
7. "You're it!" game
10. Building usually without a 13th floor
12. Borscht vegetable
14. Flooring material
15. "Lord, ___?": Last Super question (3 wds.)
16. Tomb Raider Croft
17. Prayer ending
18. ___ Island: the NE fifth of Nova Scotia (2 wds.)
20. "Mmm-hmm" (2 wds.)
21. Sink clog remover
22. Put together in make-shift fashion (2 wds.)
24. It's to Canada's east (2 wds.)
29. Former Pan Am rival
30. Open, as a keg
31. Airtight farm storage buildings
33. Acorn dropper
34. Hearing organ
35. Sum up
37. "A girl" or "a boy" preceder
38. Give up
40. *The Simpsons* bartender
41. Chomped
42. Rock band from Kingston, Ontario, that has received numerous Canadian Music awards, including 14 Juno Awards (2 wds.), with "The"
47. Assembly of church officials
48. ATM charge
49. Autumn colors
52. Ontario, Superior, et al.

(2 wds.)

57. One of 52-Across
58. Thor's dad
59. Ctrl-P in many programs
60. Biggest problems of some celebrities
61. Ripped
62. Dispatches
63. Controversial hockey commentator Cherry
64. Scottish "no"
65. Hi-___: sharply detailed, as a monitor

Down

1. ___ Nostra
2. "Take ___ from me ...": "Heed this advice" (2 wds.)
3. Give another account of
4. Adequately skilled
5. Voyage on 24-Across (2 wds.)
6. Intrepid
7. Canada's quintessential coffee and donut place, familiarly
8. Downwind
9. DNA carrier
10. What not to say when taking a sobriety test
11. Tripoli's land
13. Ballroom dance for two
14. Nationalist Republic of China capital
19. Hertz ___-Car
23. Southern California univ.
24. Anticipate



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25. "Care" or "risk" follower
26. Carcinogenic cigarette smoke ingredient
27. A suspect may have one down pat
28. A dissatisfied diner may opt to leave this (2 wds.)
29. Play (with)
32. Former faster-than-sound jet: initialism

34. Boldly unconventional
35. "You've Got Mail!" ISP
36. Blue and white pottery named for a city in Holland
39. Damsels
40. Amber-colored Portuguese dessert wine
43. Bar of gold
44. Chicken ___ bleu
45. Sharp barks
46. One who listens

49. Bassoon or clarinet
50. As a result, in logic
51. Singer Celine
53. PEI's Green Gables girl
54. Cows, archaically
55. Finishes
56. Rds.

Yesterday's Crossword



What's online

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

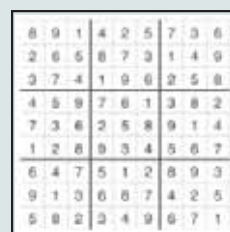


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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku



Weather

TODAY



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FRIDAY



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MIN: 9°



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